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Maulana Azad's Call To United Nations

NEED FOR ACTION BEFORE "ZERO" HOUR STRIKES

Nehru Answers Foreign Critics: Sardar On "Puppet Govt."

"What we ask from Britain and the Allied Powers should be done here and now. We also say that what we promised to do we will do now. Let us come together today and simultaneously decide both the issues—the freedom of India and India's complete participation in the war efforts," declared Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, in a one-hour speech at the A. I. C. C. when it met at Gowalia Tank, on Friday afternoon.

The Congress President gave a spirited reply to the critics of the Congress and said that the Congress demand was twice-tested pure gold. It satisfied the test that its satisfaction would bring no harm to the Allied cause.

Jawahar moves resolution after Gandhiji had spoken for nearly an hour.

Pandit Jawaharlal moved the main resolution, endorsing the previous resolution of the Working Committee passed at Wardha and demanding the freedom of all Asiatic nations under foreign domination like Burma, Malaya, Indo-China, Indonesia, Iran and Iraq and giving sanction to Gandhiji to start a mass struggle on none-violent lines, in case the Congress demand was not acceded to.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel seconded the resolution.

Nearly 250 members of the A. I. C. C. were present.

Every inch of the 35,000 square feet of the pandal was filled up with an enthusiastic mass of humanity and thousands more stood in right thinking man who would the maidan and listened to the speeches with rapt attention. Both before and after the meeting continuous streams of people filled the road and caused a terrific traffic jam.

Mahatma Gandhi and the other leaders had to pass through serried ranks of cheering humanity along the road leading to the pandal and in the pandal itself.

Elaborate arrangements had been made both for the accommodation of the members, visitors, guests and pressmen and 3,000 volunteers, including 500 Desh Sevikas rendered yeomen service.

MAHATMA TO ADDRESS

The A.I.C.C. will resume its sitting at 2-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) when discussion on the resolution will take place. The communist members of the A.I.C.C. who number about 12 have given notice of a group of three amendments.

After the resolution is adopted, Mahatma Gandhi will address the committee again.

AZAD'S CALL FOR ACTION

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad who spoke sitting in a chair, as he was feeling unwell, said that they had met three months ago at Allahabad and passed a resolution which, in their view, was in the interests of the world. But now they had reached a stage when they had no alternative but to ask for the immediate freedom of India.

The extraordinary danger which India was facing was such that they could not face it, unless they had in their hands the reins of power Danger was knocking at India's doors and it was necessary that they should make all preparations to check the enemy as soon as he jumped into our court-yard. That could be done only when they used every power in their possession. At Allahabad it had been decided that if Japan stepped into the land, they would resist aggression with all their non-violent strength; but during the last three months, the world had not stood still. It had moved fast. The sound of our drums was coming nearer, while the world was flowing in blood and nations were fighting and pouring out their life-blood to preserve their precious possession of freedom.

SINKING MORALE

But in India there was a different spectacle Instead of their hearts being filled with a burning flame, our morale was sinking. Their youth instead of going out to war to stop the aggressor with their valour were looking on as helpless spectators. Instead of rising in revolt in one unconquerable wave, they were becoming indifferent, cold, lethargic. The entire responsibility for this position, said the Congress President, rested on the shoulders of the British administration. That was because human nature would not respond to mere words. Only action could call forth action.

Continuing, the Congress President said that the flood-tide was coming on and the Congress could not stand still on the shore and look on. They had to take the plunge and battle with the waves.

A time had come when no responsible Indian could look on could remain inactive, could be content to pass resolutions.

The Congress had made repeated proposals to Britain to give the people of India that freedom which would enable them to fight the aggressor. They had not asked for the keys of power so that they could sit back and make merry.

That was not the way of the world to-day. The whole world was straining at its leash, was rushing towards freedom. In those circumstances, if they felt that conditions in India required a change, if they felt that their only salvation lay in making and bringing about drastic changes, then they should take such steps as would bring about those changes. At the same time,—they had to consider the possible consequences of their step on the entire world. They had to weigh the consequences of their action and inaction carefully in the balance.

WHEN INDIANS WILL FIGHT

Therefore, the Working Committee had passed a resolution three weeks ago after fully considering their responsibilities, their duties, the consequences of their action and how best they could achieve their object. Their view was that unless some change was brought about at once, the same fate which overtook Burma, Malaya and Singapore would overtake this country also. If they wanted to fight for the safety, freedom and honour of India, it was necessary that they should cast off this shackles that were holding them down, to shake off that lethargy and go to work in an entirely new spirit. It was only when they felt that they were fighting for something which they held sacred that the people of this country could fight, pour out their energy and blood and lay down their lives. They had made repeated appeals and entreaties to bring about this change and as they had failed, it had become their duty to take a positive step. That step was certainly fraught with hardships; but could do nothing unless were prepared to suffer hardships and make sacrifices. It was only by suffering and strife that they could achieve anything at all. That was the meaning of the resolution of July 14. During these three weeks, the message had spread throughout the land. The resolution only reiterated the position which they had always taken. As long as three years ago, the Congress had made its position clear and had cast its lot in favour of democracy and against Fascism. Nothing that they had done since then was inconsistent with this fundamental position. They had always said that they would wholeheartedly aid the cause of Freedom and Democracy, if they were free. For freedom itself they could wait. But the present question was not merely of freedom, but of their very existence. If they survived and lived, they could have freedom. But the position now was that they could not live and survive without freedom.

TWICE-TESTED

Continuing, the Congress President said that the demand they were putting forward before Britain and the United Nations was to be judged by the one and only test and that test was whether for the sake of the defence of India, for her very survival, freedom was necessary. India had become a vital field of battle. If India were free, she could have kindled a new light throughout the land and the cry of victory would ring from every corner. No army could wage a relentless war unless it had behind it an administration which had the fullest popular support. If anybody could snow them that what they were doing would contribute to the defeat of Freedom Powers, they would be prepared to change their course. But if the argument was merely a threat, holding out the prospect of civil war and chaos, he for one would tell them: "It is our right to wage a civil war:

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Crowd outside the Pandal listening to Mahatma's address.

Japs Prepare For New Offensive

LONDON, Aug. 7.

Mr. George Yeh, London Director of the Chinese Ministry of Information in London, said to-day that the situation on the Russian frontiers in the Far East was extremely grave.

Japanese deployment of forces seemed to indicate a probable attack on the Eastern Maritime Provinces and they were also disposing their troops to resist a flanking movement by the Russians and Chinese. Japanese troops were moving from the south to reinforce the Japanese already there.

The Japanese air strength in Manchuria had been brought upto at least 1,000 planes concentrated in the north presumably to attack the eastern end of the Trans-Siberian Railway and Kahabarovsk, Blagoveschensk and Vladivostok.

In China Japanese occupation troops were being reorganised and reinforced for offensive action.

Mr. Yeh mentioned one encouraging feature —the increasing air support, which the Chinese are getting from the Americans. He said that the Japanese were endeavouring to control the railway from Shanghai to Singapore, parts of which were held by the Chinese, to ease the shipping situation and for switching troops between scattered fronts. In some sectors the Chinese found the troops showing signs of exhaustion and increasingly on the defensive.—Reuter.

Diplomats Gather In Moscow

LONDON, Aug. 7.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says that Axis curiosity has been stirred to depths by the news that Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr and Admiral William Standley, British and American Ambassadors to the U. S. S. R. have just arrived in Moscow that Maj.-Gen. Forbes Bradley of the American Air Force is in Moscow on a special mission and that Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, the United States Ambassador to Turkey and former Ambassador to Russia, has left Ankara for the Soviet capital.

Also in Moscow are French Minister Garreau and General Steffansen of the Norwegian Legation. The Axis is convinced that diplomatic moves are of great portent, but while some quarters hopefully but unconvincingly affirm that it is because Russia is getting desperate that special consultation of special States is being held, generally speaking they incline to the belief that the question of a Second Front will form the subject of deliberations.

FREE SPECULATION

The German-Controlled Press in Occupied France is being allowed rather free rein in speculation on the subject, possibly with a view to prepare the German public for the possibility of a Second Front as extracts from the publications are reproduced in Germany but in London there is no authorised comment or speculation as to these reports.

Mahatma On The Rare Opportunity

IN SPITE OF MISREPRESENTATION, HE STILL CLAIMS TO BE BEST FRIEND OF BRITAIN: WARNING TO FOLLOWERS

"If there is the slightest communal taint in your mind, keep off the struggle."

"Give up the attitude of mind which welcomes Japan."

"Do not expect to be the inheritors of all power. It belongs not to you but to the people of India."

"Be non-violent in action, if not in thought. This is the least I expect from you."

Such were some of the injunctions which Mahatma Gandhi addressed to the members of the All-India Congress Committee when he addressed on Friday.

After his review of the situation leading to the present resolution of the Working Committee, Maulana Azad requested Mahatma Gandhi to say a few words.

Mahatma Gandhi in the course of his speech said that he had asked permission of the Congress President and of the Working Committee to address them before they proceed to consider the resolution which would be placed before them. He wanted them to consider one or two things and to look at them from his point of view. If they accepted the resolution, they would be accepting some of the things he had to say. Therefore, before they accepted the responsibility, they should know what kind of a man they were asked to follow.

People had asked him if he was same as he saw in 1920 or if a great change had come over him. They had seen that there was something different in his writings and in the resolution that would be placed before them. He wanted to say that fundamentally he was the same as he was in 1919. He approved of the same things today. The only difference was in the emphasis he placed on certain things. It was as if having put on warm clothes to guard himself against the effects of cold weather, he had cast them off because the summer had come.

RARE OPPORTUNITY

Such an opportunity as the present one did not come often in anyone's life. People thought that he talked one thing today and another the next day. But he could assure them that in every word he said there was non-violence. If not, they need not give him their support. If they wanted Swaraj and if they felt that what he said was good for getting Swaraj, then only they should support him. But if they supported him, because everybody else was supporting him without believing in what he said, that self deception, apart from the harm it might do to him or to them, it would harm the country. So he appealed to them not to support him and not to follow him, unless they looked at the issues in the same way as he did. If they did not believe fully in what he said, then he would urge them not to accept the resolution. If they accepted it without understanding him properly, there was the danger of friction between them and him, although the friction might be of a friendly nature.

GREAT RESPONSIBILITY

Continuing Mahatmaji said that there was a great responsibility. The Congress was like the Parliament of the Nation. There were in it people of many views. It did not contain only men of one community, one province, one opinion. It was but right that it should be so. The Congress had always striven to represent all the people of India and their aspirations. He had often claimed that the Congress did not only represent the members on its register, but the entire nation. Some of them may not recognise the Congress but still the Congress had to act with the object of promoting their interests.

The Congress did not even recognise the distinction between "British" India and "Indian" India. There were about 600 Princes, but they were the creation of the British power. They were placed there by that power and they might be taken away. The conditions existing in the States might be different and the laws that prevailed there might be different but the people were the same. The States people did not regard British Indians as foreigners and they had always acclaimed the Congress. If the struggle were carried on in the way he wanted it, the Princes

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MAHATMA PRESENTS

Govt. Secret Circular

TALKING POINTS TO COUNTER CONGRESS PROPAGANDA AND DIRECTIONS TO WIN POPULAR SUPPORT

CLOSELY following the publication of seized Congress documents by the Home Department of the Government of India, a sensational document, purporting to be a secret circular issued by the Secretary to the Government of India to the Chief Secretaries to all the Provincial Governments, providing talking points and directions to counter-act Congress propaganda was sold at the A. I. C. C. pandal on Friday and, bears an introduction by Mahatma Gandhi.

HONOURABLE COURSE TO GOVT.

The following is Mahatma Gandhi's introduction to the Secret circular:—

"I have had the good fortune to have friends who have supplied me with titbits of national importance such as I am presenting to the public herewith. Mahadev Desai reminds me that such an occasion occured some seven years ago when a friend had unearthed the famous Hallet Circular. Such was also an occasion when the late Swami Shradhanandji was given an important document, though not of the sensational character as the Hallett Circular or Sir Frederick Puckle's very interesting production and that of his lieutenant Shri D. C. Das. The pity of it is that the circulars were secret.

They must thank me for giving the performance as wide a publicity as I can. For it is good for the public to know to what lengths the Government can go in their attempt to suppress national movements, however innocent, open and above board they are. Heaven knows how many such secret instructions have been issued which have never seen the light of day. I suggest an honourable course. Let the Government by all means influence public opinion in an open manner and abide by its verdict.

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Price of tender forms is Rs. 3/- per set and is not refundable and the forms are not transferable. Payment should be made in cash or by money order only to the Controller of Supplies, (Purchase Branch), Bombay, quoting tender number and remitter's full address on the coupon in the case of money orders.

Tenders will be received upto 4 p.m. on the 17th August, 1942, and will be opened at 12 noon on the 18th August, 1942.

Applicants not already on the list of approved contractors maintained by the Chief Administrative Officer, Purchase Branch, Department of Supply, must state in their application for tender forms the name of their bankers. (9304)

Public Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate for one ORDINARY share No. 2319 of the Bombay Steam Navigation Company Limited, standing in the name of Hafez Hassen Mamoojee has been LOST or MISLAID.

The Public are hereby warned against purchasing or dealing with the above certificate in any way but are requested to give information about the same to the undersigned as steps have been taken to obtain duplicate of the said certificate.

EBRAHIM HASSEN MAMOOJEE.
Attorney Hafez Hassen Mamoojee
Dated 8th August, 1942. 9318

NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that share certificates of the Asian Assurance Co., Ltd., Bombay, for 20 shares bearing Nos. 32253 to 32272 standing in the name of late Khetoo Chanu are lost. Anyone who has any claim or lien on this should communicate with the Company within 30 days (thirty) from this day, after which date the Company will issue duplicate share certificate cancelling the original. The Company will not be responsible for any loss or damage caused by the issue of the duplicate certificate.

The Asian Assurance Co., Ltd.,
THE ASIAN ASSURANCE CO., LTD.,
Ballard Estate, Bombay.

Bombay, 8th August, 1942. (16699)

THE NEW SWASTIK LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the New Swastik Life Assurance Co., Ltd., will be held at the Company's Registered Office at Albert Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 31st August, 1942, at 5 P.M. (S.T.) as already advertised in the issues of "Bombay Chronicle", "Bombay Samachar" and "Lokmanya" of 4th August, 1942, and in the "Times of India" of the 5th August, 1942, to consider and if thought fit to approve certain changes in the Company's Articles of Association and also to consider and pass certain Special Resolutions as per printed notices sent to the Shareholders. A copy of the printed notice containing particulars of the proposed changes and draft resolutions can be inspected at the Company's registered office between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on any working day.

By order of the Board,
P. D. CHURI,
Director.

Bombay, 7th August, 1942.

To

The Shareholders of the Company and in particular, to (1) Mr. Prabhakar Laxman Lad, (2) Mr. Jovita Carlos Fernandes, (3) Mr. Kashibhai Dayabhai Patel, (4) Mr. Ana Runa Alagappa Chettiar, (5) Mr. Jaivanta Shrinivas Sinay Suquercar. (9313)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that VIRJI PERAJ, BHIMJI PREMJI, HIRJI LAKHMIDAS, RAMJI TEJPAL and HEMRAJ PREMJI, the present Trustees of an Indenture of Settlement, dated 5th January, 1898, made between Naranji Virji of the one part and Damji Virji and others of the other part (and registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar of Assurances at Bombay under No. 643A at pages 364-382 of Vol. 841 of Book No. 1 on the 18th April, 1898) have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance lease or otherwise, howsoever, is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Jehangir Wadia Building, 51 Mahatma Gandhy Road, Fort, Bombay, and to the Collector of Municipal rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of Mahim Pension and Tax land or ground with the structures standing thereon situate, lying and being at Portuguese Church Road, Dadar, outside the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration District and Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 3764 square yards or thereabouts registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 138, New No. 3725, Old Survey Nos. 340-341 and New Survey No. 1/1595 and Cadastral Survey No. 94 Mahim Division assessed by the Municipality under Ward Nos. 4444-4445 and Street Nos. 804-805 and bounded, on the North and West by Bhadarwada Road, on the South by the property of Nossa Senhora De Salvador and on the East by the property of Silestiano De Almeida.

Dated this 7th day of August, 1942.

MULLA & MULLA,
Purchasers' Attorneys. 9296.

Public Notices

NOTICE

TATA IRON & STEEL CO., LTD., DIVIDEND BEARER CERTIFICATES will be encashable from the date of issue, until further notice, at the HEAD OFFICE (Apollo Street) and the LOCAL BRANCHES of the UNION BANK OF INDIA, LTD. 9319

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for temporary posts of LOWER GRADE CLERKS in the scale of Rs. 40-2-60-E.B.-2-80-5/2-100 for the Office of the Deputy Controller of Supply Accounts to be opened shortly at Bombay.

Applications should be addressed to the Controller of Supply Accounts, New Delhi, so as to reach him by the 25th August, 1942. 9299

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ISMAIL ABUBAKAR KHATRI, of Bombay Memon Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to my client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, exchange, trust, lien, possession, maintenance, inheritance, lease, easement or otherwise howsoever, is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at 182, Musjid Bunder Road, Bombay No. 3, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of Foras Freehold and or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Dadar Road, without the Fort and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 235 square Yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New No. D/13054 New Survey No. 3/2023 and Cadastral Survey No. 68 of Dadar Naigam Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under F Ward No. 791(5) and Street No. 151 D. New Street Nos. 121-121C and 123-123C and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East and South by the property of Desai Virpar and on or towards the West by the said Dadar Road and on or towards the North by the property of Purshottamdas Jeevandas.

Dated this 7th day of August, 1942.

YAHYA F. SHAIKH,
Advocate for the Purchaser,
182, Masjid Bunder Road,
Bombay. 3.

9282.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KANCHANLAL NANABHAI MARFATIA and Bai KAILASGAURI KANCHANLAL MARFATIA have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property.

All persons, therefore, having or claiming any right, title or interest in or to the said property or any part thereof whether by way of inheritance, bequest, trust, possession, gift, soda, mortgage, charge, lien, lease or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make such claims known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Cama Building, 24-26, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from this date, otherwise the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claims and all such claims, if any will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY:—

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground Salt Batty, situate at Mouje Danda Turf (Bandra) Santa Cruz Taluka South Salsette District, Bombay Suburban Registration Sub-District of Bandra and registered in the Books of the Collector of Bombay Suburban District under Survey No. 298, Scheme No. 2, Final Plot No. 60, containing by admeasurement 1840 square yards and bounded as follows:— that is to say, on or towards the East open plot of land bearing Plot No. 59 of Scheme No. 2, on or towards the West open plot of land belonging to the Central Bank Executors and Trustees Co., Ltd., on or towards the North by residential quarters for members of the Police Dept., and on or towards the South by a road leading from the local Post Office to Green Street.

Dated this 8th day of August, 1942.

VAKIL DADABHOY & BHARUCHA,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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Legal Notices

HIGH COURT

O. O. C. J.

Suit No. 589 of 1942.

SANKALCHAND G. SHAH of Bombay .. Plaintiff.
Versus
M. L. AGARWALA, of Khai .. Defendant.

To

M. L. AGARWALA, Esq.,

The Defendant abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiff, has filed the above suit against you for Rs. 29,000/-: costs and interest.

You are summoned to appear in the High Court of Judicature at Bombay on the 2nd September, 1942, at 11 o'clock (S.T.) in person or by an Advocate (O.S.) duly instructed by an attorney to answer all material questions relating to the suit and take further Notice that in default of your appearance on the day abovementioned the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Dated this 7th day of August, 1942.

RAMANLAL AND HIMATLAL,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

Address:—
373, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

(9305)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Suit No. 623 of 1940.

NAZARBHAI MULLA AKBERALLY and another .. Plaintiffs.
(V/8)
MENTULLABAI, daughter of Mulla Akberally, & ors ..... Defendants.

PURSUANT to the Consent Decree and Decretal Order of Reference to Commissioner of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay made in the above suit and bearing date the 25th day of July, 1941, Notice is hereby given that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of Mulla Akberally Shaikh Kamruddin Palanpurwalla, deceased, who died at Palanpur on or about the 12th day of June, 1938, are hereby required to file Affidavit of such claims in writing in the English language in my Office within one calendar month from the date hereof and the said claimants are required to specify their names and addresses, the full particulars of their claims and statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities if any held by them or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefits of the said order. Affidavit of such claim must be accompanied by a Court-fee Stamp of Rupees Two for filing the same. I hereby request all persons concerned to attend me at my Office on the 9th day of October 1942 at 12 noon for adjudicating upon the said claims. In default of appearance the claims will be dealt with exparte.

Dated this 5th day of August, 1942.

(Sd.) ARMAND F. SEQUEIRA,
Commissioner.

9297.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. GIRDHAR LAVJI PARMAR of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell to our client free from all incumbrances and claims the land hereditaments and premises described in the Schedule hereunder written.

All persons having or claiming any right, title, interest, claim or demand in, to or upon the said land hereditaments and premises or any part thereof by way of inheritance, sale, gift, trust, lease, underlease, mortgage, charge, possession, maintenance, lien, easement or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 35, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise on the expiration of the said period the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered to have been absolutely waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

All that piece or parcel of Leasehold land or ground with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Matunga Road and being Plot No. 64 of Sewri Wadala (North) Estate of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement seven hundred and forty-eight square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue New Survey No..... and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 622 of Matunga Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under F Ward No. 5282(2) and Street No 2523A and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East by Plot No. 63, on or towards the West by Plot No. 65, on or towards the North by Public Road and on or towards the South by Plot No. 31.

Dated this 7th day of August, 1942.

MADHAVJI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

9314.

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Auction Sales

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE ON SUNDAY, 9th August '42 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at 29 Pali Hill, Bandra (Top of Hill), of well made and exquisite Mapel's and John Robert's sets of Drawing, Dining, and Bedroom furniture. Property of the late H G. Davies, Esq., Director of Messrs. Greaves Cotton & Co. Ltd. Property is on view.

CRAWFORD & CO.

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT SHIVAJI PARK (MAHIM).

Under instructions from Messrs. Vakil Dadabhai and Bharucha. Attorneys for the 2nd Mortgagee Mr. Ashabhai Shivabhai and on account and at the risk of Kahandas Kishordas Patel the Mortgagor Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on FRIDAY. the 28th August, 1942, at 4 P. M. (S. T.) the undermentioned properties in separate lots at the premises.

No. 1.—All that piece of land admeasuring about 618 sq. yds. with buildings under construction being on plot No. 23 of Shivaji Park (Mahim) bearing Municipal "G" Ward No. 4843 (1), St. No. 172, Keluskar Road, and bounded on the West by plot No. 21, on the South by plot No. 22, on the North by plot No. 43, and on the East by plot No. 25.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the abovementioned Solicitors or the undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.

GANDHI & CO.
GOVT. AUCTIONEERS.

AUCTION SALE OF TALKIE FILM "MARVI ALIAS MERI DUNIYA".

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers, will, under instructions from Messrs. Choksey & Co., Attorneys for Mr. Chaturbhai Mangalbhai Patel, the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of N. D. Kohiyar and Others carrying on business as Film Producers under the name and style of National Artists, the Mortgagors, sell by Public Auction on Thursday the 13th instant at 2-30 P.M. at their Auction Rooms at No. 72, Medows Street, Fort:—

Talkie Film "Marvi alias Meri Duniya."

Terms:—25 Per Cent Deposit.

GANDHI & CO.

VORA & CO.

AUCTION SALE TOMORROW (SUNDAY) at 10-30 A.M. (S.T.) Property of a European gentleman C. Lambert, Esqr., and others at Babulal mansion, Chowpatty Seaface, of complete household and office furniture; Godrej Allwyn, Austrian and other fireproof safes, single and double door steel cupboards, Remington portable typewriter, Singer machine, Electric table fans and lamps, dining table, chairs, sideboard cabinets, modern Chesterfield sets, book case, writing and dressing tables, modern almyrahs, centre tables and teapoys, bed with box mattress, gramophone, hand harmonium, steel cash box, carpets, glass, crockery &c. T. No. 40213, VORA & CO.

BITS FROM THE BLACK-OUT - - - - (2)

THE SOFT SWEETNESS OF SONGS & THE DYNAMIC DRAMA IN DIALOGUES from DALSUKH M. PANCHOLI'S

Khan-Daan

TOUCH EVERYONE'S HEART

16th WEEK

NEW WEST END

Daily 3, 6 and 9 p.m.

An unsophisticated romance of a village maiden and a youth.

MURLI MOVIETONE'S Musical Motion Picture

PYAS

A picture full of rural background!

A picture with family touch!

Director: RAM DARYANI

Starring: SNEHAPRABHA, ISHWARLAL, SHAMIM, NAZIR, E. BILIMORIA

(Free List Entirely Suspended)

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Kingsway—Dadar.

Daily: 4-15, 7 & 10 p.m.

Sat., Sun. & Holidays at 1-30 p.m.

MORNING SHOW ON SUNDAY THE 9TH AUG. AT 10 A.M.

BAKTHA GOURI

(IN TAMIL)

A Mythological Musical Extravaganza.

Advance booking at the theatre.

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Daily at 3-30, 6-30 & 10 p.m.

HINDUSTAN CINETONE'S SOCIAL HIT

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OR

APNI NAGARIA

SUN. MORNING AT 10 A. M.

WORLD'S GREATEST ANIMAL TRAINER CLYDE BEATTY IN THE LOST JUNGLE

THE SHOW OF YOUR DREAMS! LIFE WITH ROMANCE

DON AMECHE, CARMEN MIRANDA IN THAT NIGHT IN RIO

Daily at 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m.

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PARADISE

MAHIM

INDIA'S PREMIER THEATRE

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DAILY AT 3-30, 6-30, 9-30 P.M.

THE PICTURE OF THE YEAR!

Spencer Katharine

TRACY-HEPBURN in "WOMAN OF THE YEAR"

A GEORGE STEVENS PRODUCTION with FAY BAINTER REGINALD OWEN

Tomorrow Morning at 10 A.M

GRETA GARBO IN "MATA HARI"

A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture

★HIS ONLY RESOLUTION!

It was his only resolution to make his brother quite happy in life! . . . . and thus fulfil the PLEDGE he had offered before his dying father

BUT ITS PRICE WAS 14 YEARS IN JAIL!!!

SEE HIM IN—

"SAUGAND"

A New Theatres Hit

Starring: BHARATI, PAHARI, ASHIT-BARAN, CHANDRAVATI

12th WEEK—

Direction: HEMCHUNDER

KRISHNA

Daily: 3, 6-15 & 9-30 p.m.

Matinee on Sundays at 12 Noon

2nd Glorious Week!

The Tender Face that delighted with the brother's sight

Now was eager for other man!

NATIONAL'S SOCIAL HIT

SISTER

NALINI JAYWANT SHEIKH MUKHTAR

Daily at 4, 6-45 & 9-45 p.m.

Mat. Saturday & Sunday at 1 p.m.

CHITRA

VINCENT ROAD, DADAR.

4th WEEK OF FAME!

PRAKASH'S Popular Hit

BHARAT BHET

Starring: DURGA KHOTE, SHAHU MODAK, SHOBHANA SAMARTH, CHANDRAKANT

Daily: 3-45, 6-45, 9-45 p.m.

Sat., Sun. Hol. 12-45 p.m.

PLAZA TALKIES, DADAR

For the First Time in Bombay North

PRABHAT'S

PADOSI

(HINDI)

Starring:

Jagirdar, Mazharkhan, Anis and Balwant Singh

Director SHANTARAM

Now showing at

CITY LIGHT

Lady Jamshedji Road

Daily: 4, 7 & 10 p. m.

Sat., Sun. & Holidays 1 p.m.

3rd Successful Week

of the Navyug film which unites the rich & poor

SANGAM

DAMUANNA, MEENAXI, WINAYAK & others

AT

KOHINOOR

(DADAR)

Daily: 4-30, 7-15 & 10 p.m.

Sat., Sun. & Holidays 1 p.m.

AURORA

KING'S CIRCLE, MATUNGA

DAILY AT 4, 6-30 & 10 P.M.

ROMANTICS with DEANNA! LAUGHTER with LAUGHTON! A RIOT with ROBERT!

Deanna Durbin and Charles Laughton with Robert Cummings in It Started with Eve
Directed by HENRY KOSTER
Produced by JOE PASTERNAK

SUN. MORN. AT 10-30 A.M. LAUREL—HARDY

SONS of the DESERT

PALACE DAILY At 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m

Romance that sends your heart racing.....excitement that thrills you to the marrow....in the Technicolor triumph that reunites the stars of "HURRICANE"!

ALOMA OF THE SOUTH SEAS

Starring: DOROTHY LAMOUR JON HALL

SUN. MORN. AT 10-30 A. M.

NORMA SHEARER IN M. G. M.'S TRIUMPH

MARIE ANTOINETTE

TRADE BUYING IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

'JOURNAL OF COMMERCE' ESTIMATES CROP 12 1/2 MILLIONS

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

On Thursday the New York Cotton Market ruled very steady on trade buying and short covering.

The Journal of Commerce estimates the cotton crop at 1,25,52,000 bales and condition at 75·5 per cent. of normal.

There were scattered hedging and local selling induced by favourable crop advices and depressing Russian war news. The selling was encountered by trade price fixing and covering after drying up of early offerings with traders marking time pending the publication of the Bureau Report on Saturday.

The market opened at about the lowest level of the day at a decline of 8 points with October 18.11. There was steady buying throughout the session and prices advanced to 18.29. The market closed at a net rise of 9 to 4 points. Spot Cotton prices advanced 9 points at 19.65 c per lbs

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans Cotton futures market was steady with moderate buying and closed at a rise of 8 to 7 points. Spot Cotton prices advanced 8 points at 18.66c per ib.

LOCAL SITUATION.

Messrs. Anandilal Podar & Co. state :—

"On Thursday, cotton opened lower than expected and sharply sagged on heavy liquidation and speculative selling. The reasons attributed were that the precautionary measures taken by insurance companies by an increase in civil commotion insurance rates. There was scattered trade buying. Seeds reflected the sentiment in cotton but relative steadiness in upcountry disallowed any material fall. Yarn and cloth withstood the panic on merits of meagre local stocks and mills indifference to press any fresh sales.

Broadly speaking, markets seemed under the clouds of passions and entirely obscured by fundamentals and reasons. Such passions seemed terribly over-emphasized, because, the latest press reports indicate that after the passage of the Congress resolution an interregnum of time for reflection and reassessment of the site if possible to avoid the horrible chos. will be used and that may not be without fluctuations of hopes and disappointments as stated yesterday. Secondly, the fundamentals and reasons seem constructive after a straight fall of Rs. 70 in about three weeks time. Fundamentals are that the technical position, even though temporarily the decline may be carried somewhat further, is sound, because, market is well liquidated and holds a considerable short interest, apart from large amount of hedges held against old cotton. Reasons are that though old crop carryover may be larger than a year ago, it consists very little desirable staple styles. Then, Indian crop normally depends on Sept./October weather for its progress and size and so far, the first harvesting staple crop of Sind continues in a poor condition. Further, present prices seem reasonable, though may not be rock-bottom, until new crop is available.

PRIVATE CABLES

N. Y. October highest 18.29+10 (3p.m.)

N. Y. October lowest 18.11—08 (10 a. m.)

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta & Co., Ltd., have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends :—

NEW YORK—Trade buying and shorts covering. Small offerings. Market steady.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Aug. 6.

October	18.28+09
December	18.44+07
January	18.48+07
March	18.59+05
May	18.69+04
July	18.73+05
Middling Spot	19.65+99

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

October	18.46+08
December	18.63+07
January	18.66+06
March	18.77+06
May	18.85+06
July	18.92+07
Middling Spot	18.6 +08

NOON CALL

October	18.15
December	18.34
March	18.50

GOVT. SECURITIES

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

2 3/4 per cent 1949-52 98/13
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 93/0
3 per cent 1951-54 Loan 99/14
3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 100
3 per cent 1963/65 93/8
4 per cent 1960-70 108/14
3 per cent 1943 Bonds 102/4
4 per cent War Bonds 102/0
3 1/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 102/7
4 1/2 per cent 1955 Loan 112/8

TAX FREE LOANS

6 per cent 1945-55 Loan 109/0
5 per cent 1956 Mysore 123

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1947 104/8
4 per cent M Deb 1957 107/4
6 per cent M Deb 1959 114/0
5 per cent M Deb 1954 124/4
5 per cent K P T 1956 123/8

Tone :—Firm.

BOMBAY COTTON

Short Covering

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

After yesterday's sharp decline, the local market ruled steady on short covering. Present prices are considered reasonable but so far the improvement is of a reactionary nature.

Following a rise of 9 points in New York cotton futures the local market was expected to open at Rs. 299/8 for I. C. C. January but the market opened steady at Rs. 302/8 and after declining to Rs. 301/8, steadily advanced to Rs. 307/- on short covering. The decline is overdone and the reaction is likely to be carried further.

Later on there was increased liquidation and prices declined to Rs. 304/8. There was renewed professional covering and prices advanced to Rs. 307/12. The market closed at 2 p. m. as under :

I. C. C. January	307-4-0
I. C. C. March	296-0-0
Broach J/A.	186-8-0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, August 7

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Broach No. 2	192	189	186	183	
M G Punjab-American	321	316	311	306	
M G Surat	421	416	411	406	
M G Rajpipla	417	412	407	402	
M G Navsari	423	418	413	408	

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, August 7

	Old.	Ready
Bengal	.....	170/75
Berar	165-70	173/75
C. P. 1	170-75	195/97
C P 2	165-70	180/85
Khandesh	140-45	.....
Muglai	150-55	.....
Broach	140-45	185/87
Broach Low	130-35	.....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, August 7

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	This year	Last year
Khandesh	194	86,431	100,994
Central India	....	30,595	148,163
Barsi and Nagar	75	54,294	124,726
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	18,989	50,772
Berar	....	178,696	385,350
Central Provinces	.....	87,565	77,153
Total Oomras	179	456,570	887,148
Dholeras	.....	34,430	100,746
N W Provinces	.....	1,425	1,961
Rajputana	.....	470	6,766
Sind-Punjab	903	431,231	567,291
Broach	.....	321,015	298,890
Coompta and Dharwar	306	39,752	148,226
Westerns-Northerns	.....	41,544	110,810
Cocoanada	.....	.....	239
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	....	19,224	14,172
Arrived by road to 30th July. 1942	.....	92,500	356,135

Cotton Tenders

Bombay, August 7

	To-day	Total
Broach	2350	17700

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, August 7

Castorseed September	5 4 0
Cottonseed September	1 8 0
Silver 2nd settlement	1 6 0
Gold 2nd settlement	1 6 0

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, August 7

Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 135 0 0
Copper sheets	Rs. 160 0 0

Tone :—Steady.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

Copper sheets ib 21. Rs 172; 28 162; 35 162; 42 158; and 49-56 156.

Brass sheets Flag Brand ib 20-21 Rs. 12018; 24 113-4; 28 110; 35 109; 42 106 and 49-56 104-8

Spelter 'PtH.' Rs. 130 Rosita Rs. 130

Country make Rs 108 Pigiead 'B.M.' Refined Rs. 73 Per Cwt.

SETTLEMENTS RATES :—

Copper sheets Aso. R. 160-8.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, Aug. 6.

Broach J/A Higest 190, Lowest 185, Closing at 185.

Indian Cotton Contract March Highest 299, Lowest 293 Closing at 293.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, August 6.

T T London on :—

New York sellers 4.02 1/2 buyers 4.03 1/2

Madrid official 40.5

Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47

Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4

Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Moderate Buying

BOMBAY Aug 7.

The local market was open to-day for one hour during which there was moderate buying and the market was steady. Tata Steel Ltd., shares opened at Rs. 1505/- and advanced to Rs. 1525/- while cash quotation was Rs. 1512/-. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 299/- and improved to Rs. 303/. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1300 and ruled steady at Rs. 1295/-. There was not much business.

Cloudy Russian situation coupled with the Indian question touched off important liquidation although there was enough investment demand to keep favourites on solid ground. While buyers were inclined to withdraw, offerings were negligible and fractional changes either way were evenly divided. U. S. Steel shares were unchanged at 46 3/8 and Anaconda Coppers declined 1/4 at 25 1/4 General Motors closed 1/8 down at 37 3/8 dollars.

TEXTILE MILLS

Apollo 5; Ahmedabad Advance 385; Bombay Dyeing 1297/8; Central India 369/8; Century 506; Colaba Land 183; E D United 3/0/9; Finlay 205; Gokak 258-2; Indian Bleaching 188; Indore Malwa 350; Kohinoor 498; Lakshmyi 816/4; Morarji 615; Mysore 140; New Great 233; Phoenix xd 455; Podar 212/8; Sassoon Silk 95/12; Sholapur 6550; Simplex 204; Svadeshi 149; Swan 195; Tata Mill 35; Vishnu 1705; New City 272/8.

ELECTRICS

Andhra Valley 1613/12; Ahmedabad Electric 182/8; Ajmere Electric 13/12; Bombay Suburban (old) N 173/12; Bombay Tramways 132; Karachi Electric 196/4; Poona Electric 238/12; Surat Electric 180; Tata Hydro 174; Tata Power 1517/8.

MISCELLANEOUS

Associated Cement 168/4; Belapur Sugar 216; Bombay Burma 217/8; Bombay Burma New 72/8; Bombay Steam 342/8; Shivrajpur 45/3; Tata Steel Defd 1527/8; Tata Steel Ord 306; Prem Construction 120/8; Br B Petrol 1/5; Indian Radio Def 360; India Radio Ord 365; Scindia Steam 20/15; Tata Chemical 17/4; Tata Oil 61; Western India Match 236/4; Burma Corporation 1/15; Indian Iron 26/8; Indian Copper 2/1; Steel Corpn of Bengal 16/8.

BANKS

Baroda 116/8; Central 49/14; Imperial B P 1532/8; Imperial P P 375; India 145; Reserve 102; Union 6/8.

RAILWAYS

Ahmedabad Prantej 940/8; Central Province 108/8; Gujarat 107; Hoshiarpur Doab 97; Mandra Bhon 108/8; Sara Sirajgunge 98/8; Sialkot Narowal 113.

INSURANCE

Empare 700; Jupiter 15/2; New India 47/8; Oriental Life 4020; Vulcan Insurance 9/8.

DEBENTURES

4 per cent Tata Chem 1962 126/12; 4 per cent Andhra 1982 104/14; 4 per cent Bombay Telephone 48/4; 4 per cent Tata Power 1951/55 104/14.

PREFERENCE

5 per cent Ahmedabad Advance 125; 7 per cent Adhara 1570; 7 per cent Bombay Tram 77/8; 6 per cent Bombay Steam 327/8; 5 per cent Central India 682/8; 6 per cent Tata Steel 1st 206/4; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Steel 2nd 135; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 159/6; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1597/8; 6 1/4 per cent P Const 1st 122/8; 6 1/4 P Const 2nd 121/8; 5 per cent Svadeshi 138; 5 per cent T Chem 121.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

The market steadied up to-day and prices tended to rule higher. Tata Deferreds improved to 1530 and Tata Ordinaries rose to 305. Textiles also displayed a steady tone but with narrow movements. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at 1297-8. Centuries at 506 and Kohinoors at 498. Indian Irons kept slightly higher at 26-8.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day :—

Tata Deferreds (1498), 1500, 1530, 1527-8.

Tata Ordinaries (299), 301, 299, 305.

Tata Ordinary 305. Tata Deferred 1527-8, Indian Iron 26-8, Steel Corpn. of Bengal. 16-10, Bombay Dyeing 1297-8, Central India 370, Century 506-4, Gokak 258-2, Kohinoor 497-8, Simplex 204, Andhra Valley 1615, Tata Hydro 173-12, Tata Power 1530, Associated Cement 168-8, Belapur 216-4, Bombay Burma (old) 217-8.

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £ 8-8-0 Dollar starting cross rate was 4.02¼ to 4.03¼ at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York.

London spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23½d. The market was quiet with a small business. New York spot Silver was also unchanged at 35 1/8 cents. London Bombay spot and forward Silver parity was Rs. 62-10-3 The local market was quietly steady and quotations were as under :—

	GOLD	SILVER
Ready	53-7-0	85-0-0
Shrawan	53-5-0	84-5-0
Sovereigns	40-0-0	

LONDON SILVER

London, August 6.

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD

London, August 6.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce £8-8-0

Groundnuts And Seeds

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

Groundnuts Aug.	63-5-0
cottonseed Sept.	30-3-6
Castorseeds Sept.	67-4-0

COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton Contract Jan. below New York Jan. 692 cent pts. at 331.

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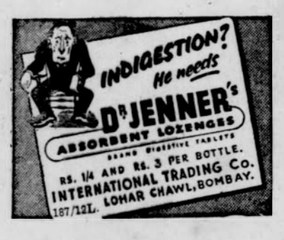

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FATEHPURI DELHI.

Jinnah's Charge Against Congress

Asks Why Not Approach Him Personally Instead Of Replying To "Busy Bodies"

BOMBAY, Aug 7.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, has issued following statement.

The recent Congress resolution of its Working Committee, although couched in different phrases, is substantially the same as the one which was passed in September, 1939. In the resolution that was passed in September 1939, the demand was for a declaration of immediate independence and freedom of India with a Provisional National Government transferring all power of the Government of India and secondly the right of the people to frame their own constitution through a Constituent Assembly to be elected by means of adult franchise. The only difference, therefore, between the two resolutions is that in the first resolution what was implied by the declaration that was sought is now covered under a different language by the adoption of the slogan "Quit India".

MUSLIMS FOR INDEPENDENCE

Muslim India, as I have repeatedly said, stand for complete independence of all the peoples of India. But we turned down the proposal of the Congress because the demand for a National Government to be set up immediately would have meant the Hindu Raj or Hindu majority Government.

As to the second item, namely, the right of the people to frame their own constitution, the Constituent Assembly would have been one of overwhelming majority of Hindus and if it were to be elected on the basis of adult franchise the Musalmans would have not secured even 25 per cent. of its strength and it is a foregone conclusion as to what decision such a body would arrive at.

Not only this, but the fundamental principle was also laid down in September, 1939, that the constitution should be on the basis of All-India Federal Government with units as autonomous as possible.

This clearly meant that even those zones which are the homelands of the Mussalmans and where they are in a majority would have been entirely under the Central Government with Hindu majority in all vital matters. This position the Mussalmans could not accept as it clearly meant ruling out of order their demand for Pakistan and would have implied their submission to the Hindu Raj as a national subgroup instead of this being a nation in fact, as they are, even in those parts of India where they are in a majority of more than 75 per cent as in the north-west zones and more than 70 per cent in the eastern zones. In these two zones they are not less than 70 millions of Mussalmans as a compact body and exist as a nation by any definition of a nation. But having ignored these one hundred millions of Mussalmans and other minorities and interests the Congress have adopted the programme of mass Civil Disobedience if their fantastic demand is not conceded by the British at once under the slogan of "Quit India."

"FLYING KITES"

Having taken that decision the Congress leaders have now started flying kites individually for the purpose of foreign propaganda and for deceiving particularly the Mussalmans of India. The first one that found an echo in the House of Commons yesterday is that the Congress is fighting purely from an ultruistic point of view and does not wish to have any share in the authority and power of the Government and that the Government of India may be handed over to the Muslim League and that they will willingly accept the Muslim Raj rather than the British Raj and what is most amazing is the fact that Mr. Gandhi has endorsed such individual utterances of some of the leaders of the Congress.

In the first place no intelligent man can believe the sincerity of such a desire, for it is too good to believe. But supposing they are sincere, I will welcome it.

If the British Government accepts the solemn recommendation of Mr. Gandhi and by an arrangement hands over the Government of the country to the Muslim League, I am sure that under the Muslim rule the non-Muslims will be treated fairly, justly, nay generously; and further the British will be making full amends to Muslims by restoring the Government of India to the Muslims from whom they had taken it.

I am sure that the Muslims will welcome such a decision on the part of the British Government.

Another kite that they have been flying for the last few days is that the Congress is willing to come to a settlement with the League. Here again the proposal is disingenuous because they have laid down the basis of settlement to be the Unitary Federal Government, knowing full well that the Muslim League is opposed to such a basis.

It is evident that the Congress has definitely turned down any discussion of the Muslim proposal of the partition of India or the Pakistan scheme, by their official resolution passed on the 1st of May, 1942, by the A.I.C.C. They also individually but including Mr. Gandhi, adopted an adamant attitude towards the question of Pakistan, which is the basis of settlement for Muslim India. And Pandit Jawaharlal recently made it clear that he would not even discuss the partition scheme and that it was a mockery.

"BUSYBODY"

I have noticed in the Congress Press the pre-arranged correspondence which passed between a busy body of a Muslim, who landed in Bombay the other day from Hyderabad into Birla House on the one hand, and the Congress President on the other, whom I pity, because he represents neither the Hindus nor the Musalmans and has really no voice in the counsels of the Congress, because the letter of the President to this individual had to be endorsed by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

It leaves no doubt in my mind that they have made most contradictory statements with regard to the basis suggesting that the Congress and the Muslim League Committees should meet and interpreting the official resolution of the Congress passed on the 1st of May, in a manner which is most dubious and misleading. What is one to think when the Congress leaders resort to such a sort of procedure and to give publicity to it in this manner instead of communicating the proposals if they have any to me or to the Secretary of the All-India Muslim League?

CHARGE AGAINST CONGRESS.

One can only conclude that it is meant for the edification of the public in this country and propaganda purposes abroad, and for a responsible organisation to resort to this method if they are in real earnest for a settlement is hardly compatible with their prestige and reputation unless the intention is to create disruption amongst the Muslims and to mislead them. I am confident that these things cannot in the slightest degree mislead the Mussalmans of India. Mussalmans can no longer be treated as children.

It is very painful to me to expose these tactics but I have no other course to meet this sinister propaganda in which the Congress seems to have specialised. I know it is sure that some of my statements hurt them, but if speaking out the truth, which is always bitter, and exposing the machination of our opponents so astute, it hurts them I cannot help it. The only remedy for them is that they should revise their methods.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT "NON-POLITICAL"

Bombay Organiser Defends Criticism Of Congress

The Provincial Organiser, National War Front, Bombay, writes:—

Certain comments that have recently appeared in the Press have charged the National War Front with attacking the Congress and thereby violating its claim to be a non-political body. It is also alleged that the War Front was established to fight the Congress.

The Provincial Leader desires to make it clear that such comments and allegations are unfair. There has been no departure in the policy of the National War Front and it continues to be a non-political body. It expresses and, as an organisation, has no views on questions of a purely constitutional character.

The resolution of the Working Committee which has been criticised by the National War Front raises, however, certain issues which strike at the very root of the objects for which the National War Front has been created and which have been explicitly stated from the beginning, namely, maintenance of public morale, stiffening the will of the people to resist aggression and eradication of all elements tending to undermine the morale of the people. A civil disobedience campaign is likely to cause disorder in the country, to hamper the war effort and to damage morale; and all this cannot but act as an incentive to the enemy to attack India.

The resolution of the Congress which has been criticised by the National War Front is one which if adopted and given effect to, is likely to lead to disaster; and the National War Front would be stultifying itself if it did not protest against it. It is not correct to describe this stand as one of dabbling in politics or fighting the Congress.

N.-W. F. ADVICE NOT TO BE LED AWAY BY CONGRESS.

The aims and objects of the National War Front were lucidly explained to the audience by speakers at a public meeting held on Wednesday evening at the Depressed Classes Association Hall, Clerk Road. Mr. K. G. Kermani, Divisional Director, was in the chair. Mr. R. S. Nekaljay, Deputy Director, appealed to the people not to fall victims to rumours. They were originated by enemy agents, whose main object was to undermine civilian morale.

A reference to the Civil Disobedience Movement was also made and people were advised not to be led away by Congress propaganda. The consequences of a mass movement at present were very grave and dangerous. Such a movement not only retarded war efforts but would lead to great hardship. Other speakers included Messrs. D. P. Kakade and D. G. Wagmare.

BOTH ACCUSED TO HANG

Verdict In Mahim Student Murder Case

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sen and a Special Jury).

King Emperor

v.

Tukaram Vishnu Kulkarni and Abdul Kadar Abdul Gafoor.

The accused No. 1 in this case was charged with murder and accused No. 2, of abetment thereof and the common charge of robbery was levelled against both of them.

Accused No. 1, an ex-police constable of the Mahim police station, absented himself from the evening parade on the 25th October, 1941, and was never heard of till his arrest in Abbottabad on the 30th December, 1941. The deceased, Chandrakant Laxman Sethe, was last seen at 5 p.m. on the 23rd October, 1941, at the foot of Tilak Bridge, Dadar, in the company of accused No. 2. On the morning of the 26th October, 1941, the room of accused No. 1, at Mahim police lines, was broken open as foul smell was emanating from it. On opening the room a wooden box placed in a larger wooden box and tied with a rope was found to contain the dead body which was identified as that of Laxman Shethe a school-going boy of only 16 years of age.

As this case rested entirely on circumstantial evidence, the counsel for the prosecution submitted to the Court that by connecting a variety of circumstances the offence could only have been committed by accused No. 1, with the assistance of accused No. 2.

Both the accused denied having committed any of the offences which they were charged. Accused No. 1 denied having ever seen the deceased. Accused No. 2, said in his statement to the Court that he had never even stepped into the room of accused No. 1, at the Mahim police lines, where the death body was found. Both the accused tried to explain away the suspicious circumstances that were pointing to the offences being committed by them as put forward by the counsel for the prosecution.

The jury, after considering all the facts, unanimously found both the accused guilty of murder. The learned Judge sentenced the accused to death.

Mr. M. P. Laud, with the Advocate-General, instructed by Mr. N. K. Petigara, the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. B. D. Bonariwalla defended the first accused, Mr. M. T. Kadarbhoy defended the second accused.

CLASH BETWEEN A.R.P. MEN & CIVIC GUARDS

CALCUTTA, August 7.

Two Civic Guards and one shop assistant were injured as the result of a clash between some members of the A. R. P. and Civic Guards which occurred in front of a Government retail shop selling sugar.

Six A. R. P. men were arrested on a charge of rioting but were subsequently released on bail pending enquiries.

The trouble arose when a member of the A. R. P. wanted to have preference over members of the public who stood in a queue for purchasing sugar. Civic Guards interfered and a clash followed. —United Press.

FLOOD WATER BREACHES RAILWAY LINE

LAHORE, August 7.

Flood water has now breached the railway line at a number of points between miles 21/7 and 29/3 on the Larkana-Jacobabad section, telegraphs the Divisional Superintendent, Karachi. Transhipment of passengers and their luggage is not possible. Trough communication on the section is suspended for an indefinite period depending on subsidence of flood water.—A. P.

Congress-League Rapprochement

Dr. Abdul Hameed Kazi, Managing Editor of "Orient Press" was given a hearty reception by the staff and students of Ismail College, Andheri, this afternoon. Before a crowded meeting of students presided over by Professor Nadvi Dr. Kazi delivered a spirited address on the "Solution of Hindu-Muslim problem".

The speaker said that the greatest need of the moment in this country is Unity between the two major communities. If the Hindus and Muslims unite the country can and will achieve independence immediately. The speaker was of opinion that the way to achieve unity is to recognise the right of self-determination for provinces where the Muslims are in a majority, for which Rajaji has staked his whole political career. He went on to state that the right of self-determination has become the unanimous demand of not only the Muslim League, but the Ahrars and Jamiat-ul-Ulema and almost all Congressminded Muslims.

The speaker concluded by saying that on this basis, unity between Muslims and Hindus is possible. He also appealed to the Congress to postpone civil disobedience campaign and concentrate on Hindu-Muslim problem. He specially appealed to Gandhiji and Mr. Jinnah to come to terms immediately in the greater interests of the country.—O.P.I.

(Continued from col. 7)

Prices were almost static around levels prevailing a week ago as investors preferred to wait owing to uncertain situation both at home and abroad. 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper ruled steady around Rs. 93 all through, whilst small business was reported in 3 per cent. 1961/64 loan around Rs. 99-14 and in 3-1/2 per cent. 1947/50 loan around Rs. 102-8. 2-3/4 per cent. 1948/52 loan was listless at Rs. 98-13, 3 per cent. 1946 bonds at Rs. 102 and 3 per cent. 1963/65 loan at Rs. 98-8. 5 per cent. 1945/55 tax free loan changed hands at Rs. 109 and 4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 loan at Rs. 112-6, whereas 4 per cent. 1960/70 loan was wanted at Rs. 108-14. 4 per cent 1943 bonds were neglected at Rs. 102-3.

EXCHANGE

The rupee sterling exchange market ruled relatively steady due to some showing of merchandise export-bills and sales of T. T. against exports both locally as well as in outside markets. Sellers of spot T T on London for interbank business quoted 1s. 5-63/64d, and buyers 1s. 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Bank's Association were unchanged as under:—

Sellers of T. T. on London (spot and upto six months) ... 1s. 5-31/32d.

Buyers of T. T. on London (spot and upto six months) ... 1s. 6-1/32d.

The sterling/dollar rate in the New York market remained stationary at 4.03.75 throughout.

SHARES

Despite an intriguing political situation at home and disquieting war news from the Russian front the local stock market maintained a remarkably steady undertone and prices showed a consistent rise on moderate speculative and investment buying.

Latest Commercial

COTTON

DECEMBER

New York, August 7

Previous closing	18.44
To-day's opening	18.46
Difference	+02
To-day's closing	18.39
Difference	—06

BROACH EXPECTATIONS

Broach July/August	Rs. 185-8
I. C. C. January	Rs. 306-4

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, August 7

Following are the New York opening ranges:

October 18.30/30

December 18.40/46

March 18.50/60

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, August 7

SEEDS

Castorseeds Bombay August/September (£29 quoted) £29 quoted

Linseed Calcutta August/September (£23 1/2 quoted) £23 1/2 quoted

Linseed La Plata August/September unquoted

Groundnuts Coromandal August/September £27 1/2 quoted

West Coast India shipment (£27 1/2 quoted)

LONDON METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62

Lead (£25) £25

Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGE:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, August 7

Previous closing 4.03 3/4

To-day's opening ..... not received

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, August 7

Previous closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers

To-day's opening 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.

To-day's closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD

London, August 7

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, August 7

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London, August 7

London on Bombay (1-6 1/32 sellers 1-6 31/32 buyers) 1-6 1/32 sellers: 1-6 31/32 buyers

New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.

4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent

6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, August 7

New York Stock Exchange opening prices

General Motors (dol 37 5/8) dol 37 5/8

Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 25 1/2) dol 25 1/2

United States Steel Common (dol 46 5/8) dol 46 5/8

United States Steel Preference (dol 108 7/8) dol 109

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, August 6

The London Stock Exchange was steady to-day.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

LONDON:—

Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 9/32 Two Months

Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Three Months.

Banks Buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Four Months

B C Rates T T 1/6 15/16 D D 1/6 15/16

Banks selling T T 1/6 31/32 D D 1/6 31/32

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32

LONDON/NEW YORK:—

Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs 326 1/2

LONDON/MONTREAL:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 294 3/4

LONDON/BERNE:—

Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4 D D Fcs nil

Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2 D D Fcs nil

LONDON/STOCKHOLM

Banks selling T T K 133 D D K 123

Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128

MEXICO/LONDON:—

Banks selling T T Rs 67.27 D D Rs 66.27

Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04 D D Rs 62.04

LISBON/LONDON:—

Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom D D Esc 7.35 nom

Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 D D Esc 7.55

AUSTRALIA/LONDON:—

Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8

Banks buying T T nil D D 1/11 3/8

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady

Gold £8-8-0 Ready

New York silver 35 1/8

London Silver 23 1/2 Ready 23 1/2 Forward

London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent

London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent

Money:—Call and 7 to 3 months not quoting

4 to 6 months 1/4 per cent

7 to 12 months 1/2 per cent

Tone:—Very Easy.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN

London, August 6.

	This week
Total bullion	£ 1,514,000
Public deposits	23,300,000
(a) Other deposits	156,000,000
Government securities	130,900,000
(b) Other securities	20,200,000
Notes, gold and silver coin	48,200,000
Notes in circulation	833,300,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities	25.43 p.c.
(a) Other deposits include banks	118,100,000
(b) Other securities include discount and advances	7,900,000
Total deposits	309,300,000
Total securities	181,100,000

Trade And Finance

SHORT-TERM MONEY EXTREMELY EASY

MODERATE TURNOVER IN SECURITIES

Weekly Market Reviews

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

MONEY

Unrelieved by any new feature, the short-term money market continued to be extremely easy. Call money was nominally quoted at 1/4 per cent. and there were few borrowers for 3 to 6 months' money even at 1/2 per cent. Tenders for Treasury Bills continued to be heavy despite the reduction in the amount and the discount rate further declined from Re. 0-9-0 to Re. 0-8-6 per cent. per annum.

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India for the period ended 31st. July 1942 records a rise of Rs. 1.51 crores in the active note circulation and of Rs. 57.09 lacs in the total note issue. On the assets' side, Rupee Securities held by the Bank have declined by Rs. 19.94 crores and there is a corresponding rise in Sterling Securities. Rupee Coin is up by Rs 57 lacs. In the Banking Department, Government Deposits show a sharp drop of Rs. 7.54 crores, whilst Bankers' Balances with the Reserve Bank are slightly up by Rs. 74.52 lacs. There is a decline of Rs. 3.93 crores under the item of "Balances held abroad" and of Rs. 40 lacs under Ways and Means Advances to Government.

GILT-EDGED

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WEDNESDAY, August 12

Corporation Standing Committee, 4 p. m. (B.T.).

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

METRO—"Woman of the Year" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p. m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-30
BROADWAY—"Pyar" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Kunwara Bap" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Saugand" 3, 6-15 and 9-30 p.m. Matinee on Sunday at 12 p.m
NEW WEST END—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6 and 9
CAPITOL—"Keep 'em Flying" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola" 2-15, 5-45 and 9 p.m. Matinee on Sunday at 11 a.m.
REGAL—"Roxie Hart" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Lady Has Plans" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Station Master" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-45 p.m.
PRAKASH—"Manthan" 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morroww at 1 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Mata" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m. Matinee on Sunday at 12-30 p.m
EDWARD—"Mud" 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PARADISE—"That Night in Rio" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Aloma of the South Seas" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Sister" 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
PLAZA—"Bharat Bhet" 3-45, 6-45 and 9-45 Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-45
CENTRAL—"Phir Milenge" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-30 p.m.
AURORA—"It Started With Eve" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Sangam" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p. m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
SUPER—"Muqabla" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
CITY LIGHT—"Padosi" 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Ankh-Michowli" 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1
OPERA HOUSE—"Arman" 4, 7 and 10 p.m Matinee on Sunday at 1 p.m.

BOMBAY SECONDARY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION: A special general meeting of the Bombay Secondary Teachers' Association will be held at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) in St. Xavier's High School, Dhobi Talao.

ARYA SAMAJ: In the weekly meeting of the Arya Samaj Gopitalao, Pandit Anandpriyaji of Baroda will deliver a lecture tomorrow (Sunday) at 9-30 a.m

BOMBAY AKALI DAL: The Secretary of the Bombay Akali Dal writes:—A public meeting of Bombay Sikhs will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. at Gurudwara Akali Dal, 302 Kalbadevi Road under the auspices of Bombay Akali Dal, when A.I.C. C. members from Punjab will be garlanded.

MR. ADARKAR FELICITATED: The students of the Commercial Art Section of Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, presented an address to Mr. V. N. Adarkar, deputy director of their school on Friday, expressing their heartfelt felicitations on his appointment and also as a token of gratitude for all he has done for that section of the School of Art in general and each one of them in particular

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: The Chief Superintendent, Central Telegraph Office, Calcutta, informs that telegrams for New Delhi and its adjacent areas are subject to delay due to imperfect working.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: Telegrams for Karachi, New Delhi, Agra and adjacent areas are subject to serious delay to interruptions and congestion. The Chief Superintendent, Central Telegraph Office, Calcutta, intimates that transit times on telegrams between Calcutta, Agra, New Delhi, Madras and Lahore are now normal.

MUSICAL ART SOCIETY: Pandit Dilip Chander Vedi, disciple of the late Bhaskar Buva Bakhale and Faiyaz Khan will give recitals of vocal and harmonium music, tomorrow (Sunday) at 8-30 p.m. at Laxmi Baug, New Bhatwadi. He is coming to Bombay after 12 years.

SOCIAL WORKERS' SOCIETY: For sanitary rounds and visiting chawls, members of the Society will meet to-day (Saturday) at 4-45 p.m. at the Main Gate, Victoria Gardens, Byculla

IDEAL MUSICO (MUSIC CLUB): A concert of classical music by Professor B. Mallikarjun Mansur of Belgaum, will be held to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m. at Kittee Bhandari Hall, Gokhale Road, Dadar.

TEACHERS' TRAINING ACADEMY: Under the auspices of the above Academy, Mr. Kaliprasad Desai will give a lecture on 'Teaching' in the G. T. High School to-day (Saturday), when Principal J. H. Trivedi will preside.

FREE SCIENCE LECTURE: Mr. Dharap will speak on "Radio" in the Royal Institute of Science, Ground Floor, to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m.

YOUTHS' PARLIAMENT: The meeting which was to be held to-day (Saturday) is postponed to next Saturday.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL AT PAREL: The following matches in the Junior Rovers Cup will be played this evening (Saturday) on the St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel. 4-45 p.m. W.I.A.A. v. R.M.I.U. (R.A.F.), 5-45 p.m. Greek Navy v. Bengal Club.

RETAIL PRICES OF WHEAT FLOUR & BRAN: The Government of Bombay has ordered (1) that no wheat flour, atta and bran shall be sold in retail at any place in the City of Bombay at a price higher than that specified below:—Wheat flour 2 as. per lb. Atta 1 anna 6 pies per lb. Bran 9 pies per lb.

KAKA KALELKAR'S LECTURE ON KONKANI: Under the auspices of the Konkani Bhasha Mandal, a public meeting will be held at the hall of the Swastik League, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Girgaon, to-morrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m. when Acharya Kaka Kalelkar will speak on the question of the Konkani language.

PT. PANT'S ADDRESS: Under the auspices of the Himalaya Parvatiya Sangh, Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant will address a public meeting to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. at the Nappoo Hall, Matunga.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION: The election of the Bandra Municipal School Board is to be held on August 19 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Bandra Town Hall, counting of votes will take place on the same day at 8-5 p.m.

BENGALI RESIDENTS' MEETING: The annual general meeting of the Bengali residents of Bombay will be held to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. at the residence of Dr. A. C. Das, Wassiamull Buildings, Grant Road, to elect new Managing Committee for celebrating Durga Pooja in the Hindustan Compound, Sleater Road.

BOMBAY BAKERS' ASSOCIATION: An extraordinary general meeting of the above Association will meet to-day (Saturday) at 10 a.m at the Framji Cowasji Institute (Lower Hall) opposite Metro Cinema, Dhobi Talao, to consider the position arising by reason of the recent decision of Retail Dealers in Bombay to close down business in Wheat Flour; and to devise ways and means to meet the difficulties facing the bakers.

FIRST-AID LECTURES: Under the auspices of St. John Ambulance Association, Servants of Humanity Centre, Mr. Burjor J. Shroff Hon. lecturer will speak on "Crushed Hand or Foot; Complicated Fracture of Ribs; and Rupture (Hernia)" at Adenwalla Baug, Tardeo Road, on Monday, August 10 at 9 a.m.

Mr. Shroff will also speak on "Bending, Cracking and Breaking of a Bone; and Cold and Hot Compress" at Messrs. Lever Bros. (India) Ltd. Factory, Sewri, on Tuesday, August 11 at 4-30 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS TO A. I. C. C. VISITORS

The following instructions for the information of the visitors to the A. I. C. C. have been issued by the B. P. C. C.

Certain changes in the admission of various classes of visitors to the A. I. C. C. Pandal have become necessary in view of the experience at yesterday's meeting.

CAMERA PERMITS.

All photographic permits issued from our office are hereby cancelled. No camera will be allowed inside the pandal on the permits which are now being cancelled. A few fresh permits will be given to "bona fide" press photographer only.

The paper badges of the B. P. C. C. issued to the workers have also been cancelled. For a few genuine workers who will have to be on duty fresh badges will be issued.

The B. P. C. C. had issued certain admission cards on the strict condition that the holders thereof should get no seats. This condition, however, was observed in its breach in most of the cases.

It is difficult to cancel this permit because in some cases it has been given to people coming from long distances to this City. The holders of this permit however, are requested not to occupy the seats in the pandal.

TICKET-HOLDERS.

Some inconvenience was caused to some ticket-holders because quite a large number of ticket-holders sat in the enclosure which was not theirs. The ticket-holders are requested, for the sake of convenience to every body, to sit in their own enclosures.

PRESS ARRANGEMENTS.

In spite of our special efforts to accommodate the press in a better manner, a considerable inconvenience was caused to the press representatives because of the terrible rush in this enclosure. Efforts will be made at to-day's meeting to have improved press arrangements.

Although the crowds outside the gates generally behaved well and remained peaceful, their behaviour was anything but praiseworthy at the time of Mahatmaji's arrival. Considerable inconvenience and discomfort were caused to Gandhiji when he was conducted from his car to the pandal. This is anything but creditable to our volunteer organisation. We hope to be forgiven by Gandhiji.

Volunteers are required to be present at the pandal not later than a.m.

No tickets and no passes of description for the A. I. C. C. can now be issued except at the risk of terrible inconvenience to every one, in the pandal.

MEETING OF INDIAN CRICKET BOARD OF CONTROL

MADRAS, Aug. 7.

Mr. K. S. Rangarao, Honorary Secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India left Madras this morning by the Bombay Express for Bombay to attend the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Board of Control on August 9 at the Brabourne Stadium.

Dr. P. Subbaroyan, President of the Board is already in Bombay. —A. P.

ON THE AIR

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8.

Delhi I—Programme

338·6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Mile Jule Gane. 5-15 Ram Putli. 5-30 Rag aur rang. 5-45 Delhi Radio Orchestra. 6-25 Jawabi Hamla. 6-30 Anwarbai. 6-45 Usman Khan. 7 Film songs. 7-15 Raftar-e-Zamana. 7-30 B. S. Rawat. 7-35 It has happened. 7-40 Sohan Singh. 7-50 Next week's programme in Hindustani. 8 Ram Putli. 8-15 For villagers only. 10 Mignatees. 10-30 Thumri and ghazal.

Bombay I—II—Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s) and 41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 7-50 a.m. As in Delhi 2. 7-50 News in Hindustani. 8 News in English. 8-10 to 8-50 As in Delhi 2. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 to 9-30 As in Delhi 2. 12 to 12-57 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

5 p.m. To-morrow. 5-5 Variety programme. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Instrumental music. 6 News in English. 6-10 Counter-attack. 6-15 News in Hindustani. 6-25 Local news and announcements. 6-30 Children's half hour. 7 Chaufer Nazar. 7-15 to 7-30 As in Delhi 2.

From 7-30 Bombay 2 will operate on 61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

7-30 p.m. Commercial news. 7-45 Listeners' letters. 7-55 to 8-10 As in Delhi 2. 8-10 News in Marathi. 8-20 News in Gujarati. 8-30 to 9 As in Delhi 2. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B. B. C. News relay. 9-45 Listening post. 9-50 War commentary. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(FROM A SUBURBAN MAN)

BANDRA, Friday.

The scrutinising of nomination papers was held yesterday. Dr. P. A. Dias, President of the Bandra Municipality was in the chair.

Objections were raised to the nomination paper of Prof. J. F. R. Almeida, on the ground that the rules for the election of the School Board, states that no judge or magistrate can be a member of the School Board and as Prof. Almeida is an Honorary Magistrate, he is disqualified to stand as a candidate. Dr. Dias accented the nomination adding "The magistrate contemplated under the rules is a stipendiary magistrate and not an Honorary Magistrate.

Walchand's Party To President

Mr. Walchand Hirachand gave a tea party in honour of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, President of the Indian National Congress, at the Taj Mahal Hotel on Thursday. Members of the Congress Working Committee and many prominent citizens of Bombay were present at the party.

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN: Every Saturday, between 5 and 7 p.m. the Bhavan is conducting informal talks on some aspect of Bharatiya Samskriti (Indian Culture). General discussion may follow the talk. The subject is: "Spiritual Evolution according to Indian Philosophy". The chief speaker will be Prof. A. S. Gopani, at 26, Ridge Road, Malabar Hill.

Jinnah's Contribution To Relief Of Indus Flood Victims

BOMBAY, Aug. 7.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League has sent the following telegram to Khan Bahadur Khuro:—

"My most heartfelt sympathy for Mussalmans who have suffered, especially the poor, owing to calamity of Indus floods. Please announce my humble contribution of Rs. 1,000. Posting cheque. Sincerely hope Mussalmans will do all they can to help our brethren in distress".—A. P.

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THE A.I.C.C. MEETING—II

The first day's session of the All-India Congress Committee was nearly as imposing as the annual Congress session, and unusual solemnity was added to the occasion by the unique international situation that has made the session itself necessary. The reception accorded to the speeches of the day makes it all but certain that the resolution before the House will be carried with but slight alterations if any. One or two amendments proposed to be moved by Communists demand the deletion of the programme of civil disobedience and there may be several other members who desire its postponement. If nevertheless the programme is sanctioned it will be due largely to the obduracy of the British Government in not effecting so far an amicable settlement. Their threats, repeated by Sir Stafford Cripps in his latest statement, are calculated only to stiffen the attitude of Congress leaders. He himself says with regard to the Congress decision: "Violent statements and threats cannot provide a solution to the problem. They can only exacerbate feeling and make a clash of forces inevitable. Reasoned arguments and suggestions which make allowance for the full difficulties of a state of war that exists may help and will always be listened to with respect and sympathy." If so why should not Government resume negotiations with Congress?

Invitation To Negotiations

We have shown before that the draft A.I.C.C. resolution and the remarks thereon by Gandhiji and the Congress President still leave the door open to negotiations. It scrupulously attempts to meet the reasonable doubts and fears that may be entertained by the critics about the Congress attitude towards the war. Referring, for instance, to the tasks of the National Government to be immediately set up, the resolution says: "Its primary functions must be to defend India and resist aggression with all the armed as well as the non-violent forces at its command, together with its Allied Powers." This guarantees co-operation with the Allies and the use of armed forces, thereby removing the fear that free India may adopt non-violence even in national defence and may temporise with Japan. The President, in his opening speech on Friday,—a frank, conciliatory and masterly speech which we would urge Government to study carefully—went a great deal further and said that if Britain had still any doubt on this point the above assurance might well be made a specific term in the Indo-British Agreement that the Congress asks for and that the declaration should synchronize with the signing of a treaty between India and Britain. This remark is a clear invitation to negotiations under very reassuring conditions. It will be madness on the part of Britain to reject this invitation.

Unfortunate Statement

It is curious none of the speakers on Friday referred to the need for an agreement between the Congress and the League so as to present Government with a united irresistible demand. All the proposed amendments to the resolution directly or indirectly commend such an agreement. The President himself had only a few weeks ago suggested a conference between the representatives of the two bodies. The prospects of a communal settlement have also been appreciably improved by the Congress formula of a Federal India with the Provinces enjoying residuary powers as well as the widest possible autonomy. Equally helpful is the assurance given by the Congress President and Pundit Jawaharlal in their replies to Dr. Abdul Latif that the Delhi resolution recognizing the right of a territorial unit to refuse to join the Indian Union is not over-ridden by the adoption by the A.I.C.C. of Pandit Jagatnarayanlal's resolution and that any negotiations between the Congress and the League would be free, full and frank. In these circumstances it would have been most appropriate and helpful if Congress leaders had, on the very first day of this fateful session of the A.I.C.C., referred to this vital topic and given an assurance that every effort would be made to seek a settlement with the League and that to this end Congress representatives would forthwith be authorised to confer with those of the League. It is to be hoped this will be done without any further delay in spite of the statement issued by Mr. Jinnah yesterday. We realize that this unfortunate statement makes any approach to him very difficult. It is inspired by a spirit of suspicion and distrust and is most unjust to the leaders of the Congress. It is amazing that, in spite of the clearest assurances contained in the replies to Dr. Abdul Lateef by the Congress President and Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru that the discussion between the Congress and the League would be free, full and frank and not restricted to any particular proposals, he indulges in the misrepresentation that the Congress leaders "have laid down the basis of settlement to be the unitary federal government." Equally deplorable is his refusal to accept their assurance that the adoption of Pundit Jagatnarayanlal's resolution by the AI..C.C. did not make any difference to the Delhi resolution. Mr. Jinnah, may violently differ from Congress leaders. But he must realize that he speaks on behalf of a great community that is known for its courtesy and, as a lawyer, he must know that indulgence in vituperative language and misrepresentation ruin the strongest case.

Chinese Counter-Offensives

Having received some assistance in the air, the Chinese have not checked the Japanese drive to dominate the entire Kiangsi-Chekiang railway but have also started a limited counter-offensive of their own. Thus they have recaptured a number of towns in Chekiang and are now attacking three others, Linchwan, Kweiki and Tungsiang. The Japanese are resisting stubbornly and the fate of these towns is still in the balance. But the main point is that the Chinese have shown themselves able to exploit even modest advantages to the extent of taking the offensive against several towns even though in a limited area. Nor is this all. The Chinese Commander-in-Chief of the Sixth War Zone has announced that the groundwork has been laid for local counter-offensives against Japanese positions both north and south of the Yangtse in the Hapeh and Hunan regions. If the aid from the U. S. A. that seems now to be trickling into China continues, some of these counter-offensives are certain to succeed.

But the Japanese are not sitting idle or planning to content themselves with playing a defensive role. In fact, they are reported by a Chinese spokesman to be preparing an important move. According to this spokesman the Japanese have concentrated about a 100,000 troops in Indo-China and their intention appears to be to launch a drive against south-west China and an attack on Kunming. All this is a grave threat to China for, if successful, it will cut the only life line that remains to her, the air route from India. Should the threat develop China would need from her Allies considerably greater assistance than she is receiving now.

Jawaharlal Nehru

"Jawaharlal Nehru—the man and his Ideas" is the title of an extremely interesting book published only a few days ago (The Popular Book Depot, Bombay 7; pages XXXVII & 174; price Rs. 4/4). The book is written by Mr. Y. G. Krishnamurti, who has to his credit two other popular books, "Indian States and the Federal Plan" and "Constituent Assembly." The present book is an incisive analysis of Pandit Jawaharlal's views on public question examined in the light of comparative political and economic thought. Its twelve champters deal with the different spheres of India's national life, and in each chapter the author briefly elucidates his hero's ideas, traces the historical background that has moulded them and comments on them in a critically appreciative way. Of special interest to-day are the chapters on India and the War and Toward a New World Order. The author's comments are illuminated with apt quotations from standard works, and not the least useful feature of the book is its exhaustive bibliography containing nearly two hundred books on which the author has drawn for his facts or comments. The book contains two appreciative prefaces, one by Mr. Bhulabhai Desai and the other by Mrs. Rameshwari Nehru, and a brilliant penpicture of Jawaharlal by Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya. It is very well printed and got up and contains some excellent photographs on art paper. Altogether, it is very instructive and interesting book and deserves to be read by all serious students of Indian politica

Frankly Speaking

The "Great Lull"

As was to be expected the Axis are making full use of the "great lull' on the Egyptian front They have the great advantage of having a large number of ports and harbours on the northern African coast from Tripoli to Mersa Matruh. And, as Reuter's special correspondent with the Eighth Army says, they have pressed all of them into service for landing supplies and reinforcements from Italy and Greece. They are employing both sea and air transport and have multiplied their lines of communications so that although Allied aircraft and submarines are doing their best they cannot check to any material extent the large flow of men and equipment into north Africa. The result is that during the 'ull Rommel has succeeded not only in "digging in" firmly but also in establishing a stream of supplies which every day increases his offensive possibilities. This is bad enough. But there is also a second danger in the situation. It may well be that very soon he will find himself strong enough to make a sweep southwards from the coast and drive towards Cairo, while containing the Eighth Army on the El Alamein region.

Turkey's Firm Stand

The Turkish National Assembly accorded the other day a unanimous vote of confidence to M. Sarajoglu's Cabinet after the new Premier had outlined his Government's policy. He explained Turkey's foreign policy in clear, concise and categorical language which leaves no room for any doubt in any quarter. Turkey remains an ally of Britain and a friend of Germany and will continue to pursue a policy of "confident active neutrality". But lest there be any misunderstanding, Mr. Sarajoglu definitely declared: "Every effort will be made to keep Turkey out of the war, but if Turkish territory or Turkish independence is attacked, she will fight to the last man. It is for this reason that we keep our army always strong and ready". This is no new declaration. But the categorical reiteration of the old position is eminently timely, not only as a warning to the Axis but also as a reassurance to the United Nations. With the former driving into the Caucasus, standing at the gates of Alexandria and Cairo and reportedly concentrating some troops in Greece and the Dodecanese islands, never was the situation so critical for the United Nations, particularly in the Middle East. And never, therefore, was a declaration of Turkey's firm stand more welcome.

VICEROY'S COUNCIL CONFERS

Four-Plam To Meat Congress Move

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, August 7.

For three days consecutively the Viceroy's Council has been meeting to discuss the situation arising from the Congress resolution.

There are however, three notable absentees—Sir Reginald Maxwell who is ill in Simla and Mr. M. S. Aney, and Mr. N. R. Sarker who are away on tour. Sir C. P Ramaswami Iyer is understood to have taken a prominent part in the discussions, but the attitude of Indian Members continues to be that, though they would welcome an All Parties' conference, the lead must be taken by leaders of major political parties or by Sir T. B. Sapru himself.

It is evident that Indian members are possessed by a feeling of helplessness, that owing to the sudden serious turn, which the situation has taken, they are unable to do anything. They are only inclined to blame both parties—the Congress for not having accepted Sir Stafford Cripps' offer and the British Government for this policy of delay and drift.

FOUR-FOLD PLAN

As the result of three days' discussions in the Viceroy's Council, it is now possible to indicate the official policy.

Firstly, there is at the moment no intention on the part of the Viceroy to call a leaders' conference, for the official view is reported to be that no useful purpose can be served by such a Conference at a present stage, in the absence of an agreement among the major parties.

Secondly no precipitate action is likely to be taken by the authorities, as an immediate consequence of A.I.C.C. resolution. Their action will depend on developments after the A.I.C.C. meeting. Any overt act on the part of the Congress or any attempt to organise Civil Disobedience, will however be immediately met to the extent necessary under the circumstances.

Thirdly, though no immediate action is apparently proposed against the "Harijan" certain restrictions will immediately be imposed on the Press at present regarding the publication of plans of Civil Disobedience or similar measures.

Fourthly, owing to the necessity to prevent economic discontent in the country, active measures are being taken to deal with the problem of local shortages of food grains, allowances to workers to meet the increased cost of living and other wartime amenities to labour. This is obviously due to the recognition of the fact, that if room is given for economic discontent as a result of food scarcity or other reasons, it may directly help the Congress agitation.

WILL VICEROY INVITE MAHATMA?

There is no definite answer to the question whether Viceroy is likely to invite Gandhiji for a talk when he rceives his letter. That will probably depend on the nature of the letter itself.

Positoin Of Nationalist Muslims

BY "REALIST"

For over thirteen years the Nationalist Muslims have found themselves in an anomalous if not also in an unenviable position. They have incurred the wrath of both the extremist Hindus and the extremist Muslims. The former hold them suspect as fifth-columnists of the Muslim League and the latter characterise them as the camp-followers of the Hindus. Extremist Hindus inside the Congress to whom easy nationalism is a role of convenience miss no opportunity of impugning their nationalism every time a genuine difference of opinion is expressed. Difficult as their position is nationalist Muslims have made every conceivable secrifice for their country's freedom, and shown the courage of their convictions under sorely trying conditions. They have borne the undeserved taunts and accusations of prejudiced critics without ever deviating from their honestly chosen path, treating with contempt every jibe and every venomous attack. Since the day they decided to support the recommendations of the Nehru Report of 1928, they have had to brave the storm of the extremist Muslims' blind wrath, and since the day they have begun to analyse the principle of self-determination on which alone must rest the proposed Constituent Assembly they have come in for an avalanche of equally blind fury of the extremist Hindus. If only the worthies of both of these groups paused to consider the Nationalist Muslims' political beliefs they would not find it easy to rush to the Press and platform with vehement denunciations.

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Let us once for all dispose of these misconceptions. The nationalist Muslim regards the whole of British and Indian India of to-day as much the imprescriptable and inalienable home of the Indian Mussalmans as that of the Hindus or of the others who live in it permanently. He bitterly resents any suggestion that India is the ancient and exclusive home of the Hindus, and the Muslims are only alien interlopers who must look for favours and grace from the rest of the population. He wants to see the country freed from foreign domination and he has made and is prepared to make every sacrifice to achieve that end. To him freedom does not mean the collective freedom of one section and the subordination of any minority; but the fullest freedom and equality of every Indian national. He believes not merely in political, religious and social, but also economic freedom, which means freedom from want and exploitation. Subject to these fundamentals he wants a free political Union of the whole country. Within such a structure he desires to see a redistribution of the existing haphazard Provinces along lines of homogeneity and economic self-sufficiency. Quite obviously, therefore, such a redistribution must follow the principle of self-determination by homogeneous groups. Europe was similarly distributed after the last war into over a score of units, although they did not form a political Union, outside the weak and unstable League of Nations. Some of these countries and nations did not exceed about 22 lakhs of population. If the principles of the so-called Atlantic Charter come to be applied to post-war Europe, the integrity of these countries and nations will have to be respected; although a wiser Europe will form a strong political Union. The U.S.S.R. again is based on some 17 or 18 republics, each one of them enjoying the fullest constitutional right of self-determination and secession. The National Muslim does not fight shy of conceding to any self-determined unit of India the right to secede after a short term of say ten years, common working inside one Indian Union. He would, however, stipulate that no seceder should enter into a new combination whose policies are prejudicial to the peace of the Indian Union. Internally each territorial unit of the Union should be as nearly sovereign as possible, the Federal Government enjoying delegated authority in respect of vital matters of common concern

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These are but bold outlines which have to be amplified in detail. There is not the remotest touch of communalism about these political beliefs. A nation arises out of a political grouping which may embrace different religions and races. But a religious community may be a much wider group. Christians, Buddhists and Muslims may belong to different races, nations and countries. In this sense different groups speaking different languages in India may profess any faith; but they may constitute homogeneous units like the Pathans, the Sindhis, the Kashmiris, the Punjabis, the Rajasthanis, the Hindustanis, the Beharis, the Bengalis, the Oryas, the four or five south-Indian groups, the Mahrattas and the Gujratis. The Hindustanis, again may like to be sub-divided into the pre-British period groups from Surhind to Benares, and from Garhwal to Berar. The Nepalese again are a distinct and 'independent' people though living within the Indian border. In short it is a matter of political grouping and a political federal Union more than a matter of national or communal grouping, though these distinction, too, cut across political and territorial alignments The Nationalist Muslim does not consider the Tamil speaking Muslims and the Pushto speaking Pathans members of the "same nation" but certainly members of the Muslim Community, just as the Swedish and Greek Christians belong to the same community but not to the same nation. Similarly the Sindhi and Malabari Hindus certainly belong to the same community but scarcely to the same nation. In the larger sense all those who live in India are Indian nationals, just as all the peoples, comprising the Russian Union are Russian nationals. But the Pathans, the Punjabis, the Tamilians, the Gujaratis, the Bengalis, etc., may easily call themselves a separate nation by the test of homogeneity i.e., linguistic and social bonds, whatever their faith and other variations of social life. The extremist Muslim who talks of two nations, Hindus and Muslims, is as much at fault as the extremist Hindu who confuses community with nation. The world 'nation' is of recent conception, and is quite often misapplied to communities on the wrong assumption that a community of religious beliefs coincides with political interests. If so the entire Buddhist, Christian and Muslim populations of the whole world should form three big nations and should be bound by the same political ties. That, however, has never been so throughout the period of known history, nor is their any likelihood of such a communal division of this world in future. Economic interests have frequently brought Christians into conflict with Christians, Muslims with Muslims. Buddhists with Budhists and Hindus with Hindus in the past. "The whole question is one of free political and economic grouping, despite social and religious difference.

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What the future political structure of the world is going to be like none can predict with precision; but all signs point to a great deal of interdependence and ever wider combinations. It is on this basis that the Nationalist Muslim would like the whole of India to form a single Union, and he would like to see it made sufficiently attractive for even the neighbouring countries to join to form an even wider combination, if possible. "Such wider political combinations may be secured by treaties or by free accession." The method is of no particular consequence so long as the result arrived at is secured. What does it matter whether Nepal or Hyderabad, Kashmir, or Kahiawar States enter the Indian Union by free accession or by treaties? It all depends on the free will of the acceding Unit. THOSE WHO CONSTITUTE THE PRESENT COMBINATION CALLED INDIA SHOULD NATURALLY CONTINUE TO HOLD TOGETHER. These are some of the political beliefs of the Nationalist Muslims, and there is nothing in them to provoke either the extremmist Hindu, or the extremist Muslim to heap live coals on their devoted heads. Nationalist Muslims respectfully dissociate themselves from both Hindu and Muslim advocates of a new imperialist order based on vague or even vicious schemes of domination, and exploitation—highly prejudicial and detrimental to the unborn generations who are entitled to inherit a peaceful, strong and prosperious India in which Hindus, Muslims and others should live as brothers and equals, and enjoy the fruits of their labour and the common wealth of their country in the fullest measure.

The Congress Case

BY D. F. KARAKA

The curtain rose yesterday on the most dramatic Congress meeting that I have yet seen. It was different from Tripuri, not only in its setting but also in its tone. The Mahatma was back in his place—on the front bench in the Parliament of the People. The old fighters for the freedom of our country were all back again—fighting, fighting, still fighting. With all the difference of opinion I have with the Congress Resolution on the issue of mass civil disobedience and notwithstanding the fact that I have along with many others called it "a stab in the back", I could not as an Indian feel a deep emotion as I saw these great men who have fought for our freedom and still fight with all the vigour that God had given them. And as I heard the four speeches of the day—of the Maulana, the Mahatma, the Pandit and the Sardar, I began to feel a little dizzy. My head was going one way, my heart was going with the speakers. And this feeling of being torn apart from within me grew more intense because the speeches were far too reasonable, far too conciliatory, far too true. When the Maulana finished speaking, I wondered who was more pro-war and pro-the-Defence-of-India? The Congress or the Government of India?

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Summed up in a sentence the Maulana seemed to say: "I want my freedom in order that I may help the United nations in this fight for freedom." And that is where I felt the Congress case was so strong. "Let us make two decisions and give two undertakings, one that India will be freed and the other that a free India will throw in its full weight on the side of the democracies—but let them be simultaneously undertaken." So the Maulana said in quite the most outstanding speech in which the Congress case has been stated. Thompson of the "Daily Herald" was sitting next to me and I translated so much for him, if only in the hope—a forlorn hope—that he would get that message across to the people of Britain.

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Let us fuse this union of a free India and a free Britain fighting side by side. The Maulana made another significant statement in connection with the troops of the Allied Nations. "The Congress has been misrepresented," the Maulana said in his faultless, polished manner, "in its demand. We do not say that we want the troops of the United Nations to withdraw from India. We want these armies to remain on our soil FOR THE DURATION OF THE WAR and fight along with us against the aggressor, but with the understanding that they so remain with the consent of a free India." These were two important statements which I would like every foreign correspondent who attended the meeting to send to his paper. To my mind they clarify the position of the Congress 'vis-a-vis' the British and Allied cause. They put a different complexion on the case for India's immediate freedom. In fact I was so surprised at the remarks the Congress President made that I felt more hopeful of what would happen in India after this resolution was passed. When I came home and shook the dust off my feet and had a cold shower after the sweat of the day and I switched on the radio and heard Wickham Stead's words: "I wish Mr. Gandhi could be transplanted in China to see what atrocities the Japanese have committed". I felt like saying to Wickham Stead: "I wish you could be transplanted here to see how this country and this great people are itching to fight against Japan if only you would give them the means and the responsibility to fight and a freedom for which to fight." Yes, a little transplanting would do so much to bring about a better understanding and an eventual fusion of two people. The Maulana's speech was in my opinion the speech of the day.

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The Mahatma then followed. He compared his position now from that which it was in 1921. It had not changed. "The letter might have changed but not the spirit." His whole point was to stress the gravity of the decision that the A.I.C.C. was called on to make and he wanted that Congressmen should not merely endorse it because others were moving that way. He stressed the need for non-violence as the essence of the coming struggle. "Non-violence must be strictly observed or perhaps you may not see me alive," he said to his chosen flock. Was that his threat that should they disagrace him and let him feel that his work of the last twenty years and more had been in vain he would pay for it by his life, fasting as he has done before. He defined this as the struggle for a new and true democracy—the greatest experiment in the history of man.

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After tea Jawaharlal spoke. I missed his early remarks, but when I got into the pandal I noticed how agitated Jawahar was, speaking for the first time in a sort of stutter, with great agitation. Perhaps it reflected the frustration he felt at the sight of his country being forced to take a back seat in this great fight in which humanity was struggling for its existence and defending with its last breath the rights of man. Perhaps the most significant remark he made was when he almost in a temper said: "I cannot tolerate it any longer."

The Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, followed. He was bitter, very bitter. He spoke from the heart as if he was paying back the debt of 150 years of British rule. "We are told," the Sardar said, "that there is a puppet government installed by the Japanese in Manchuria and those parts of China they have occupied. We are told that in those countries which Germany has conquered Germany has also installed puppet governments. But what should I call the Indian Government which Britain has installed in New Delhi?" There can be no answer to that, I know, for Britain has made a mockery of us. Then the Sardar delivered a slashing attack on Cripps and his broadcast and statement to the people of America. It was as I said bitter, very bitter, but I felt Cripps had it coming to him.

It is not possible in these days of shortage of paper to give a fuller impression of this Congress meeting. This is just a brief sketch. I only felt amused when I saw the "Daily Telegraph" Correspondent stand to attention at the strains of 'Bande Mataram'. Was it with a mental reservation. I wondered.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

LONDON, August 7.

"The session of the All-India Congress Committee which opens to-day in Bombay will be momentous for future Government. It will be a test of Indian and perhaps also of British statesmanship."

—The "London Times"

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The Calcutta University Syndicate wants Maulana Abul Kalam Azad to deliver a series of lecture as "Kamala Lecturer."

The Defence of India permitting of course.

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Dr. S. Abul Lateef, criticising Mr. Jinnah for side tracking issues and attacking Mahatma Gandhi says: "and he (Mr. Jinnah) does this in a language and style so alien to Muslim cultural traditions."

True but tactless.

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Both the Congress President and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru have assured Dr. Lateef that a conference of Congress and League representatives will be free to discuss any matter.

Another and a more insidious "trap". Let all concerned beware.

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"It is not", complains Mr. Amery, "easy to reconcile the various utterances of individual representatives of the Congress."

Has he ever tried?

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An Anglo-Indian contemporary gloatingly announces: "The 'umbrlla men" are dead. Their last act of appeasment—the Munich Agreement—has been officially buried...

Memories are certainly short. But to be fair to our contemporary we must admit that it is four years since September, 1938.

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'Second Front' Scare?

—Our Own Headline

"Scare" is the word brother.

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Count de Brinon, Herr Abetz's left-hand and M. Laval's right-hand man in Paris, has warned Frenchmen against helping the Allies in any invasion attempt.

But why have the Nazis ordered their men to take it so seriously?

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The Germans are reported to be attempting a pincer drive against Stalingrad.

But we are not worried. A counter-pincer movement is being carried out on Stalin by President Roosevelt's Personal Envoy on the one hand and American and British representatives on the other.

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"What is happening in Egypt during the great lull?"—Reuter's battle headquarters correspondent.

Why, masterly inactivity of course.

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A young man consulted a doctor. He was afraid of a nervous breakdown.

"Why?" asked the doctor.

The man replied: "Because I talk to myself all the time."

"That doesn't prove that you're going to have a breakdown," said the doctor.

"But I'm so boring" objected the patient.

WANTED BOLD CHANGE OF POLICY

The Executive Committee of the Nationalist Christian Party views with grave concern the situation confronting the country to-day. With the war drawing closer to our frontiers and the growing deterioration of the national and international situation the Committee strongly feels that nothing but a radical and bold change of policy and outlook on the part of Britain can save the impending disaster, and galvanise the nation's resources for the effective defence of the country helping towards the final defeat of the aggressor nations.

The fate of Malaya, Singapore and Burma should convince our rulers that unless the people of this country are made to feel that they are fighting in defence of their own freedom and not for the preservation of the rule of some other alien nation over them, their fullest co-operation in the war effort will not be forthcoming and without such full co-operation, the vast resources of this country in men and material cannot most effectively be mobilised. The present policy of exploiting communal differences will only weaken the cause of the United Nations.

NO STOPPAGE OF TRADE IN ESSENTIAL GOODS

New Order To Prevent Closure Of Shops And Restaurants During Hartal

NEW DELHI, August 7.

THE CLOSING of shops or restaurants on the occasion of a 'hartal' is forbidden by a new Defence of India Rules published to day.

USE OF ALL FORCE

In order to maintain supplies essential to the life of the community, the District Magistrate is empowered to require the proprietor of a shop or restaurant to keep it open during a 'hartal'.

If a shop or restaurant is closed in contravention of a District Magistrate's order, the District Magistrate may cause it to be opened and business carried on through such agency as he may think fit and at prices specified in the order.

He is authorised to use or cause to be used all such force as may be necessary for the enforcement of the order.

A shop will be regarded as closed, if the proprietor refuses to carry on business except on terms in excess of the normal.

Contravention of this order will be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years or with fine or with both.

Supplies essential to the life of the community defined in the Schedule of the Rule include grains, pulses and flour and any foodstuffs made thereof, sugar and gur, milk and milk products including ghee; eggs; vegetable oils; vegetables and fruits; meat, fish and poultry; spices and salt; kerosene oil; charcoal; steam coal; firewood and matches; medicines and household soap; fodder; bran; and oil cakes.—A.P.

MAHATMA'S STATEMENT

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would get more through it than they ever expected to get from the British power. But the few Princes he knew had told him that they were helpless.

HE WOULD SPEAK AGAIN

Continuing Gadhiji said that God had given him this opportunity and if he lost it, he would have lost himself, he would have lost the precious gift God gave him, he would have lost his non-violence. He would speak to them again after they had adopted the resolution. In the meantime, he wanted them to understand the man they would have to follow if they accepted the resolution.

People said that he generally followed a destructive policy and not a constructive policy. So far he had only been given chance of burning houses, not of building them. But when the chance came, he would build even if he was killed in the attempt. He asked them to remember that even when they were pulling down structures, they should have a clear idea of what they would rebuild. If they merely said, "let us get along, we will see later", they would be in great danger. For a brief period they had been vested with authority. They had run ministries in seven Provinces and had earned the praisé of even the British Government. If they got power, they would surely be able to run the administration again.

POWER BELONGS TO PEOPLE

Mahatmaji then warned the members of the A. I. C. C. that if they thought that they would get all the power, they were mistaken. When freedom was won, they would just become so many soldiers. If the military got into power, there would be a dictatorship. There was no room for such a thing in the Congress. They had to remember that once they obtained freedom, they would have to hand it over to the people of India. They could not then say that this community was small or that the other had not played its due part in the freedom's struggle. India was not their property. It was not even the property of the Princes. It belonged to the people of India. That had been the cardinal principle of the Congress all along. When they achieved freedom, they should not say that the Hindus were a majority and therefore they should rule or that they had made great sacrifices entitling them to power. Once they got freedom, they should change their whole mentality. "If there is the slightest communal taint in your minds", he added, "keep off the struggle."

The next thing he wanted to warn them about was their attitude towards the British. He had heard that great contempt was being expressed for the British. British Imperialism certainly deserved contempt but not the British people. But ordinary people could not understand these distinctions. This feeling had led people to welcome Japan. He would ask them to give up that attitude of mind.

FRIEND OF BRITAIN

As for himself he felt more friendly towards the British than ever before because they were in misfortune. But even in their misfortune, they were committing mistakes. They did not see it, but he saw the mistakes and he wanted to save the British from their mistakes. It was as if they were on the brink of a pit and about to fall in it. He was putting out his hands to pull them back. And they seemed to be cutting off the very hands that were pulling them back. But he would still persist in pulling them back. He said this in all sincerity. If anybody thought that he was only giving them the last push, they would be mistaken.

Having given these two warnings, he proceeded to say that if they did not accept this basis of the struggle and still supported him, they would be guilty of deception.

Continuing Mahatmaji said that he had never felt that the British should be defeated. Any way India was hardly interested in that. If Britain was to leave India just as they left Burma, what did it mean to India if it only meant that Japan would rule over them? Morever such a thing might do harm to China and Russia. He did not want to do any harm to the interests of China and Russia. But if he did not take the step contemplated he would have to hang his head in shame, because his inaction would in no way help them.

IF BRITAIN LEFT.

He was particularly anxious to move very fast. Sardar Patel had said that this struggle might be over in one week. If in one week of suffering, there was a change of heart in Britain, so much the better. It may even bring a change in the mind of Mr. Jinnah. The destruction of those fighting for freedom, may make him doubt for whom he should be asking for Pakistan. But Gandhi did not expect any such miracle to happen.

If Britain left India, it did not automatically mean freedom for India. Only if they left, India could win that freedom. He felt that in the history of the world there had been a more genuinely democratic struggle for freedom—not in France, nor in Russia. He had read about the French revolution in jail and he heard much of the Russian revolution from Jawaharlal and he felt that these were not truly democratic struggles. His conception of democracy was one of love. He did not believe that a struggle where a few people, however well-intentioned, shed the blood of others that struggle would not be democratic. Therefore in this democratic "yajna", he asked them to be prepared to sacrifice their all.

Further Gandhiji pointed out that the resolution did not conceive of Indian freedom in the spirit of a frog in the well. But it conceived of India as not merely a unit in a world federation but a very leading unit. That was a very high idea. And when he asked them to launch a struggle for that ideal, he was not speaking as a visionary. But he wanted to talk to them as a practical "bania" and tell them "If you are prepared to pay the full price, pass this resolution. Otherwise, do not pass it."

In conclusion, Mahamatji said that non-violence was a precious jewel. There was nothing to equal it in the vast firmament above, let alone this small globe of a world. But that was his non-violence. To them he was putting it as a matter of principle. For the sake of Indian freedom, he would ask them to observe complete non-violence in action, if not in thought. If they wanted him to take the leadership, they should agree to that much, as if it were a military discipline. That was the least he expected from them.

GOVT. RALLIES LOYALISTS

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The Congress will be satisfied with a plebiscite or any other reasonable manner of testing public opinion and undertake to accept the verdict. That is real democracy.

VEX POPULI VOX DEI.

Meanwhile, let the public know that these circulars are an additional reason for the cry of "Quit India", which comes not from the lips but the aching hearts of millions. Let the Dases know that there are many other ways of earning a living than betraying national interests. Surely it is no part of their duty to lend themselves to the very questionable methods as evidenced by Sir Frederick Puckle's instructions."

THE SECRET CIRCULAR

Sir Frederick Puckle, Secretary to the Government of India, in the course of his secret letter dated New Delhi 17th July to the Chief Secretaries to all Provincial Governments and Chief Commissioners, Delhi, Ajmer-Merwara, Baluchistan and Coorg, says:—

"We have three weeks until the meeting of the All-India Congress Committee at Bombay on August the 7th. During this time the matter is mainly a problem of propaganda to mobilize opinion against the concrete proposals contained in the Congress Resolution and against the threat with which the Resolution concludes, described by Gandhi as 'open rebellion'.

We have to (1) Encourage those on whose support we can depend,

(2) Win over the wavereres, and

(3) Avoid stiffening the determination of Congressmen; with the object either of putting pressure on the Congress to withdraw from its position, or, if action has to be taken against Congress, to secure that such action has the support of public opinion inside and outside India.

Please intensify your publicity through all available channels with the aim of securing openly expressed and reasoned opposition to the scheme of the Resolution from individuals of influence and important non-Congress organizations. Following are suggested main lines of publicity:—

(1) No question of morale (sic) principle is involved, since His Majesty's Government's declared policy for the future of India is that her own people should devise their own form of independent government after the victory has been won, and that during the intervening period there should be, within the existing constitution, immediate and effective participation of the principal sections of the Indian people in the counsels of their country, of the Commonwealth and of the United Nations.

(2) The question at issue is one of expediency. Are the proposals in the Resolution practical in the middle of war and are they likely to increase the chances of victory for the United Nations, or shorten the war by a single day?

(3) Whatever the answer to (2), there is no doubt that a campaign of Civil Disobedience invoives recklessly putting the cause of the United Nations in jeopardy and encouraging the Axis.

(4) Japan is hesitating whether to turn North against Russia, or West against India. Gandhi admits that acceptance of the resolution means administrative anarchy, rejection certainly means civil commotion: either way it is a direct invitation to Japan to turn to the West.

(5) The Congress Leaders have now become the heroes of the Axis broadcasts, a clear indication that India's enemies think that Congress's proposals are to their benefit.

(6) The only road by which India can achieve her destiny is through the victory of the United Nations. "A free India is not possible in a world of slaves."

TALKING POINTS

2. Some general criticisms of the Resolution are :—

(a) The resolution is a party manifesto: it is the Congress speaking and not India. The only grounds on which it could be considered a serious document and not a piece of propaganda would be, if it had been subscribed to by all parties. But it pointedly disregards the wishes and feelings of everyone except the Congress. On the war front, Muslims, Sikhs, Communists, Royists, Unionised labour, the Kisan Sabhas, and important student organisations are opposed to the Congress. Success of voluntary recruitment proves that on the war issue Congress does not speak for India.

(b) Note the blatantly hypocritical interpretation of the earlier Satyagraha Movement, described at the time by Sir Sikandar Hyat Khan as a stab in the back of the British.

(c) Note misrepresentation of the Cripps' proposals which promised to India the choice of Dominion Status or Independence as soon as victory was won.

(d) Note that the Congress have made no attempt whatever to solve the "Communal tangle". On the contrary, for the suggestion that it was possible to come to terms with the Muslim League, Rajagopalachari has been forced to resign from the Congress.

(e) Note the statement that there is a widespread ill-will towards Britain and satisfaction at the success of Japanese arms. Such satisfaction is confined to Congressmen, and if there is ill will, it has been intentionally fostered by the Congress, who, if they had been serious in their protestation of sympathy with the cause of the United Nations, could have swung the opinion the other way.

(f) Note claptrap about transferring power to workers coming from the Congress, a purely authoritarian body in its organisation and dominated by biz business and the middle classes. The workers in any case are at present unenfranchised and they certainly cannot be enfranchised in time for them to have any influence on a povisional war government."

Orissa Circular

Following the lines indicated in the above Rai Sahib D. C. Das, Deputy Secretary and Publicity Officer to Government of Orissa, has issued reminders to All Collectors and All Sub-divisional Officers, under date Cuttack 22nd July and marked "confidential express letter" which says:—

"I am directed to forward a copy of Confidential express letter No. 28/25/42, of the 17th July, 1942, of the Government of India, Department of Information and Broadcasting, and to request that immediate action may be taken to intensify publicity on the lines suggested therein through all available channels with the aim of securing openly expressed and reasoned opposition to the scheme of the Congress Resolution in question from individuals of influence and important non-Congress organizations in your district/sub-division. The non-Congress Organizations, known to this Department as existing in the Districts of Cuttack, Balasore and Ganjam are noted on the margin."

Mahatma Gandhi addressing the A. I. C. C. on Friday.

Nehru Answers Foreign Critics

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it is our responsibility to face chaos."

Proceeding, the Congress President observed that having thus once tested the gold of their demand, they took the bright gold and applied to it yet another test and that test was: "Are we contributing to others' defeat, to others' misfortune?"

If their demand was such that it would not contribute to the strength of the Freedom Powers, would not promote the cause of those powers fighting with valour for their freedom, they would never have put it forward. They had considered this question for full nine days. And, the Congress President said: "Our demand is twice-tested pure gold." "Is the British Government prepared to allow its actions and policies to be subjected to these same tests?" he challenged.

Answering critics of the Congress, he said that there was no right thinking man who would not accept the tests he had propounded as valid It was the duty of the critics to understand their position correctly and not merely to give it a bad name.

In this connection, he referred to the statement of Sir Stafford Cripps that if the Congress demand was accepted the whole Government from the Viceroy to the sepoy would have to leave. This was misrepresentation with a vengeance. Their resolution had said in clear terms that as soon as Britain or the Allied Nations declared India's independence, India would enter into a treaty with Britain for the carrying out of the administration and the conduct of the war to victory. They had not asked that all the government officials should go home, bag and baggage, and after reaching England, return to India for negotiations. Gandhiji had repeatedly made it clear that "Quit India" demand meant only the removal of the British power and not the physical removal of British officers administrators and army personnel. All of them, including the armies of Britain and the Allies would continue to stay here—only under an agreement with us and not against our will as at present. Not to see this clear point was suicidal blindness.

SIMULTANEOUS DECISION ON BOTH ISSUES

The Maulana stated: "There was a time for mere promises. But the resolution of July 14 makes one thing clear, namely, the condition of India and of the world has reached a stage when it was absolutely necessary that everything should be done at once. What we ask for from Britain and the Allied Powers should be done here and now. We do not rely on mere promises about the future. We have had better experiences of promises having been broken. They also suspect our promise to fight with them against the Allies. Let us come together to-day and simultaneously decide both the issues—the freedom of India and India's complete participation in the war efforts. Let their be simultaneous declaration of India's independence and the signing of a treaty between India and the United Nations. If you do not trust us in this, we cannot trust you, either."

Concluding, Maulana Azad observed that even in this grave hour when every minute counted, we had decided to make one last-minute appeal to the United Nations, to demonstrate to them that the object of India and the Allied Powers was the same, that their interests were the same, that the satisfaction of India's demand would promote the welfare of the Allies. But if the Allies were obdurate and deaf to all appeals, it was their clear duty to do what they could to achieve freedom.

No Narrow Nationalism

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru who moved the main political resolution stated that the conception of the resolution was not narrow nationalism but it had an international background. The arguments were quite clear. The resolution was in no sense a challenge to any one. If the British Government were to accept the proposal it would lead to an improvement of the position both internal and international from every point of view. The position of China would be improved. He was convinced that whatever change might come about in India would be for the better. The A. I. C. C. knew that Mahatma Gandhi had agreed to retain and allow the British and armed forces stationed in India. This he agreed to so as not to facilitate Japanese action on the Indian frontier. Those who wanted to bring about a change should agree to this.

Referring to the opposition to the Congress demand as contained in the resolution, Pandit Nehru expressed surprise how intelligent people of England and America could have misunderstood the Congress stand, unless, of course, they were deliberately not seeking to understand them.

He had regretfully come to the conclusion that it was not only the British Government but to some extent the other Governments as well which were following the British line of propaganda.

There was so much of hostility to the Congress demand and the question of Indian freedom and he was convinced that the British Government could never think in terms of advancing the freedom of India unless the British Government was changed radically and completely. He was certain that India would have cut away from that Government and that country. It was not for him to advise the British what Government they should have.

AMAZING CHARGE

Referring to criticisms from America that Congress was blackmailing, Pandit Nehru said that it was a curious and amazing charge. It was curious that people who talked in terms of their own freedom should level this charge against those who were fighting for their freedom. It was a curious charge to be made against a people who had been suffering for the last 200 years. If that was blackmail, then "our understanding of the English language has been wrong."

BRITAIN'S PERVERTED WAY

"Whatever may happen in Whitehall it is not going to stop us from working for Independence living for it and dying for it. I do not want to say anything at the present moment which may add to the bitterness of feeling that already exists to-day. I know that this war,—and this is one of the worst effects of the war—has produced great emotional reactions in people's minds which make it very difficult for people to think straight and not to think in terms of violent hatred. Nobody in Whitehall can think straight. There is falsity everywhere. You listen to the radio—London, Berlin or Tokyo. One does not know which is the truth. I am prepared to make many allowances for the emotional background in England and in America. I do not really mind if people get angry. But what I do mind and what I feel sorry for is this that people in England and in Amerlbca have got a perverted way of looking at the Indian question." If they did so, he added they would land themselves in difficulties.

CURIOUS TANGLE

If England had acted different-ly three years ago the result would have been different. The entire history of the war would have been different; but in spite of the perils and disasters England has stuck to her Imperialism and Empire.

The fact was patent to him that the British Government and certainly the Government of India thought that the Indian people and the Indian National Congress were their enemy No. I.

Germany and Italy came afterwards. In the last few months he had seen in this country unparalleled example of inefficiency and incompetence of the Government. The system was a rotten one. He did not want to associate himself with the creaking, squeaking and shaking machinery that the Government of India was. Its only war effort consisted in nobnobbing with some feudalists. The only occasion when it really functioned effectively and efficiently was when it started its overnight rounding up and arrests of large numbers of people. One of these days such efficient functioning would reappear against Congressmen. It was a curious tangle that they were in. It was not going to be untangled by shouting or by such approaches which the British Government had made.

He would suggest to the great people of America that they had all gone wrong in regard to India, China and with regard to the whole of Asia. The Americans looked upon India as an appendage of Britain and Asia as a dependent of Europe and America. This sniffing about in a superior manner was of no good.

Material wealth was good and poverty hateful; but he could not overlook the fact that it was the British Government that was responsible for the poverty of India. His grievance against the British was that they had made Indians miserable poverty-stricken wrecks of humanity.

Concluding he said he could not take any more risks and that they should go forward although such a step might involve perils and risks.

The attitude of the Government was one of defeatism. He could not tolerate it. His only object was to remove the defeatists and put in their place valient fighters.

BASIS OF RESOLUTION

Earlier, in the course of a speech in Hindustani, Pandit Nehru said that the one basis of the resolution he was moving was how soon India could be made strong and could be made to fight for the preservation of its own freedom and that of the Allied nations.

There were, of course, many people in Britain and America who thought that the people Asia belonged to a lower civilisation. Some of them, however, might want to help India a little. But once Indians talked of severance of British connction their hair stood on end in horror. "But my hair stands on end when they talk of Dominion Status", he added, "I will not have it now or in the future."

Referring to the criticism of Mr. Curtin, the Australian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru said that England might be the mother country of Australia, but certainly not that of India. Indian civilisation was an ancient one. Panditji mentioned how a Siamese student in the course of a letter to him had called India as his "grandmother country."

Eyes Of World On India

Seconding the resolution, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel said that since the adoption of the Wardha resolution on July 14, India had received a lot of free advertisement abroad. Many people who were unwilling to recognise the Congress in the past were now trying to look friendly. There were some who held out threats. Some were patronising in their attitude and gave advice. India was not concerned either with threats or appeals. It was clear that the nation had to rely on its own unity and strength for salvation. The time had come when the country could no more sit idle. The eyes of the world were now on India and it was necessary that the nation should rise to the occasion. The Congress had no radio stations to do its propaganda. It could not afford to spend money on foreign propaganda. It depended on its inherent strength for leading the nation to its goal.

TEST FOR BR. SINCERITY

For three years, said Sardar Vallabhbhai, the Congress had waited patiently and pursued a policy of non-embarrassment, in spite of many provocations. But this policy had not been appreciated by Britain. There was no indications of any change in the British attitude towards India. Their assurances did not carry any conviction. It was clear from the Cripps mission that Britain was determined to preserve its hold on India by splitting the nation. The Working Committee, under the circumstances had no alternative but to pass the resolution which it did. The resolution was a genuine test of the sincerity of Britain and America.

Many people abroad, said the Sardar, had raised the question as to whom the administration was to be handed over if the British withdrew. It could be handed over to whomsoever the Britishers chose—the Muslim League or to favourites of the British Government, namely, the Princes.

No Secret Plans

Referring to the charge levelled against the Congress Working Committee that it had secret plans, the speaker said that there was nothing secret about Congress plans. There were no differences of opinion among the members of the Working Committee regarding the means of achieving India's independence. There was no need for a police raid on the office of the A. I. C. C. If only the Government of India had asked for the records of the Working Committee's proceedings, the Congress would have willingly parted with them.

PUPPET GOVT.

There was criticism in some quarters against the Government established by Japan in Burma. It was termed a puppet Government. Sardar Vallabhbhai wanted to know what term could be used for the Government at Delhi.

GRIM STRUGGLE AHEAD

A grim struggle was ahead and the nation had to get ready for sacrifices. It was not likely that India's voice would reach distant lands like America. It would be unwise to bank on support from outside.

Japan professed love for India and promised her freedom. But India was not going to be fooled by the Axis broadcasts. If Japan genuinely wished to secure freedom for India, why did the Japanese Government still continue the war against China? It would be Japan's duty to set China free before talking of India's freedom.

FOLLOW MAHATMA'S LEAD

Referring to the struggle ahead, Sardar Vallabhbhai said that it would be strictly non-violent. Many people were anxious to know the details of the programme. Gandhiji was going to place the details before the nation when the time came. The nation would be called upon to follow him. In case of arrest of the leaders, it would be the duty of every Indian to be his own guide. It was necessary to bear in mind that no nation had won independence without sacrifices.

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"Arman" At Opera House To-day

Shamim in "Arman" coming to-day to Opera House.

'ARMAN' TODAY AT OPERA HOUSE

Kedar Sharma is one of those directors whose pictures have been eagerly awaited by picture-goers. Ranjit's "Arman" has already been released in the North, where it has won appreciation from the public and the press. It will be released to-day at Opera House

"Arman" cast consists of Motilal, Shamim, Nagendra, Mira and other famous artistes. Its music director is Iyan Dutt

"Saugand" Settles Down At Krishna

Observing the present rush of the audience at the Krishna Talkies, to see New Theatres' "Saugand", one can safely surmise that it has settled down for a very prolonged run. Another can come to Krishna only when 'Saugand' makes room for it.

'Station Master' Drawing Crowds At Minerva

The tremendous popularity of Prakash's 'Station Master', which now enters in its 14th week at Minerva, can easily attested to, by seeing the throngs of people everyday rushing into the theatre and many standing outside before commencing every show.

The secret of this unusual success lies in the vivid presentation of the cross-sections of Railway life on the screen. The story depicts innumerable incidents woven round the life of a Railway official whose only comfort in grief is his charming daughter who accidentally falls in a love tangle.

National's Lalaji

Already censored and on the waiting list, National's Social Epic, "Lalaji" brings a new and attractive face to the screen, Miss Yashodhara Katju, who has rendered an excellent performance in the leading role. She has also contributed exquisite dances. Co-starred with her is Krishnakant, a brilliant newcomer, who has played his part with equal perfection.

The story of "Lalaji" revives the happy memory of those good old days when Hindus and Muslims lived as brothers and good neighbours, and communalism had not penetrated in social circles.

Agha Jani Kashmiri, the eminent screenplay writer, who has attained countrywide popularity, has written the screenplay and dialogues of 'Lalaji'. Lalit Mehta and Chimankant Gandhi have directed this picture.

Story Strength Of "Khan Daan"

No picture can survive unless it clings to people's hearts. Star names may draw audiences for a start, but will not hold them long. The extended run of a picture, as in the case of Pancholi's "Khan Daan", now in its 16th week at New West End, is primarily secured by an appealing story skilfully presented.

Kishore Sahu and his baby in "Kunwara Bap" at Lamington.

'BASANT' SCORES AT MAJESTIC

Bombay Talkies' New Triumph Of Teamwork

BY T. V. P.

During the last few weeks, picture-goers must have noticed that mother-love or the maternal instinct has been treated from various angles in the films that are now current in town.

'Mata' at Swastik treats it in its most violent and turbulent form; 'Kunwara Bap' at Lamington treats it in its meek and submissive but selfish form; "Basant" of Bombay Talkies released last shows up a self-sacrificing and nobler variety. It is satisfactory to note that our producers are able to cater for a variety of tastes and sentiments in their recent productions, instead of merely copying one another's scenes as they used to do before.

Of these 'Mata' chiefly concentrates on telling a powerful story, while 'Kunwara Bap' and 'Basant' are light comedies. What distinguishes further the Bombay Talkies production is the predominance given to dances and songs. For this reason 'Basant' appears to have attracted most the attention of film-fans. Team-work and polish that are special features of all Bombay Talkies productions are present in 'Basant' also and to an unprecedented extent.

Mumtaz-Shanti was, we were told, a songstress and danseuse, but we discover that she is an actress also possessing unexpectedly superior histrionic ability. She is presented to us as a star in full splendour. We do not quite see, what special qualifications, over others, Ullhas holds for being selected for the hero's role, but even he is not a misfit. Pithawala, Suresh and Mumtaz Ali have all done beautiful work. Think for a moment what we would have lost in our fare of fun, had one of them come below their previous mark. Pramila, who has been chosen for the villain's work does her job well. We do not expect a very well-knit story, in musical and dance film, but in 'Basant' we get that also to our entire satisfaction. We fail to see why its name is 'Basant'.

Mumtaz Shanti and Mumtaz Ali in "Basant" at Majestic.

"Phir Milenge" In Fourth Week At Central

"Phir Milenge" starring Sardar Akhtar, Sadiq Ali, Meena and K. N. Singh, is now running in the 4th week at Central.

The credit of a perfect screen play goes to Pt. Sudershan who has conceived a love story from an ultra modern angle and packed it with striking punches and witty humour. It is a tale of a modern young man, with sophisticated ideas who plunges into the adventures of life, when his ideas about matrimony are not accepted by his orthodox father. He wants to marry a girl who could act on the stage and dance with him, arm in arm. His disillusionment makes the story.

"Kunwara Bap" Enters 3rd Week At Lamington

Acharya Art Productions' "Kunwara Bap" which has been acclaimed as the most unusual kind of screen entertainment by those who have seen it, has now entered into third week at Lamington. "Never in my long experience have I heard the audience laugh so heartily and so frequently as I see them doing at every show of 'Kunwara Bap'", said the manager of the Lamington Talkies to a press representative, the other day.

"Ankh Michowli" In 6th Week At Imperial

Amar Picture's 'Ankh-Michowli' now in its 6th week at Imperial depicts the hide and seek of fortune in this world. The name of the picture is very apt to the theme. People smile as fortune smiles and weep as it frowns. After all fortune and misfortune are the obverse and reverse of the same coin. If we want the bright side of it we must be prepared to take the dark side also. This first principle of life is well illustrated in this picture.

Nadia in "Muqabla" to be released at Super.

GOOD RECEPTION TO "MUQABLA" AT SUPER

The Homi-Wadia production, "Muqabla" released on Thursday at Super Cinema has been received with enthusiasm by Bombay cine-goers. Starring Nadia and Yakub in the lead, "Muqabla" has a good supporting cast in Rajni, Shrinivas, Dalpat, Agha, Nazira, Jal Khambatta, and Dog Gunboat.

A stirring story well narrated, punctuated with interesting incidents, "Muqabla" has an entertainment value, that at once appeals. The main feature that impresses at once is the music, Khan Mastana, of AIR fame being responsible for it.

Enchanting Songs Of "Roti"

In National Studios' forthcoming presentation "Roti" the musical cast is as great as that of the stellar roles, the combined effect of which is expected to make that stupendous production a distinct mile-stone in Indian talkies.

Under the direction Anil Biswas, the songs in "Roti" composed by the eminent song writers Hazarate Arzu Lucknavi, Dr. Safdar "Ah", and Behzad Lucknavi, and melodiously put over by Akhtari Faizabadi, and the no less famed Sitara and Ashraf Khan, will crash into a musical extravaganza of distinction.

'Mata' Essay Competition For Students

Prizes of Rs. 100, the first being of Rs. 50, a special one of Rs. 25 for girls and five others of Rs. 5 each for all, have been announced by the Manager, Advance Film Exchange, Kisan Mahal, Tribhuvan Road, Bombay 4 for approved essays on 'Mata', Kirti Pictures' film now running at Swastik. Details may be had from the Manager, Advance Film Exchange.

Popular Films In Second Run

Citylight Talkies, Lady Jamshedji Road, is showing Prabhat's 'Padosi' for the first time in Bombay North.

Navyug Chitrapat's 'Sangam' is in 3rd week at Kohinoor, Dadar, and is still drawing full houses.

Paradise is showing "That Night in Rio" featuring the Brazilian beauty Carmen Miranda with Don Ameche and Alice Faye, this week.

Chitra is showing 'Behen' starring Nalini Jaywant and Sheik Mukhtar for second week.

Aurora is showing 'It started with Eve' with Deanna Durbin, Robert Cunnings and Charles Laughton in starring roles during this week.

Broadway is showing 'Murli Movietone's 'Pyas' starring Snehaprabha Pradhan and Ishwarlal.

Palace is showing Paramount's 'Aloma of the South Seas' starring Dorothy Lamour and Jon Hall during this week.

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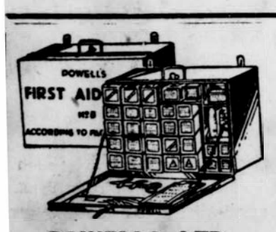

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(BY LOOKER-ON.)

With the outbreak of the monsoon indoor games like Table Tennis and Baumnton have claimed a snare of the sports' stage. The Byculla Y. M. C. A. raised the curtain as usual for Table Tennis and the Suburban Badminton Tournament has just started at the Bandra Gymkhana. At Byculla, U. M. Chandarana, son of the famous Quadrangular bowler, M. H. Chandarana, who was a terror to all batsmen some years ago, won the triple crown in brilliant style. In disposing of all his opponents with perfect ease, he maintained his reputation as the best Table Tennis player in Bombay. It may not be long before we see him at the head of the game in this country.

MISS KUDAV AND PATKAR SHINE.

In Men's Singles, Chandarana's ultimate rivals were V. B. Shanbag and R. S. Cooper. Neither of them could wrest a game from him despite their strenuous efforts. The scores of 21—18, 21—18 against Shanbag and 21—15, 21—16, 21—16 against Cooper in the final tell their own tale. In Men's Doubles, partnered by V. S. Patkar, Chandarana accounted for the Cooper brothers in the Semi-finals by 21—13 and 21—18, and I. N. Laljee and P. V. Varde in the final by 23—21, 21—16 and 21—16. In Mixed Doubles, he was assisted by Miss M. Kudav Izzat Awan and Miss P. F. Madan, opposing them in the final, lost by 21—17, 21—16, 21—15. A creditable feat indeed.

The Single's title for Women was claimed by Miss A. DeSouza. As steadiness personified, she got the better of her dashing rival, Miss M. Brodie, in the final by straight games. The defeat of the reigning All-India Champion was rather surprising. But she needs to curtain her impetuosity to a reasonable extent. Miss P. F. Madon and Miss P. F. Vakharia went through a titanic struggle to beat Miss M. Brodie and Miss R. Bhaisa in the final of the Women's Doubles. The score was 22—20, 21—18, 14—21, 12—21, 21—19. It is expected that the losers in all the events will make greater efforts to wrest some of the titles in the remaining tournaments. A new Open Competition has been added in the list by the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana. It will start on the 6th instant with all the usual events on the card.

ALL-INDIA BADMINTON.

It is a pity the All-India Badminton Tournament, which was to be held in Bombay this year, cannot be staged owing to various difficulties. Particularly the problem of railway fares cannot be easily solved. There are many people who think that all tournaments which involve a good deal of travelling should be stopped during the war. I do not feel in the same way. If the financial obligations can be satisfactorily met, I see no reason why they should not be continued even during these troublous times. I wonder if any other centre is in a position to take up the responsibility of running the National Championships in Badminton now.

POONA SUMMER MEETING: FIRST DAY

Mornas & Lion Tamer Fancied To Win Respective Events

From Our Racing Correspondent

Big-sized fields have accepted for the first day of Poona season which stands for decision to-day.

Nine events have been framed. The Bhopal Plate, a handicap for Indian horses starred in Class IV is the chief event. On the strength of the smashing track-performance, I nominate Lion-Tamer to win from Miss O.K.

The Gaekwar of Baroda's Mornas appears to me as a sound proposition in the first division of the Castletown Plate.

The following are my selections:—

1ST RACE:	**2-15 P.M.**
SIKANDAR	1
WELLINGTON	2
RABIE AL KHAIR	F
2ND RACE:	**2-45 P.M.**
KING SOLOMON	1
ARMOUR	2
DUWISH AL FURAT	F
3RD RACE:	**3-15 P.M.**
CANVASAIL	1
WINLAD	2
A LA GRANDE	F
4TH RACE:	**3-45 P.M.**
ENGLISH ROSE	1
HUE D'OR	2
CHORISTER BOY	F
5TH RACE:	**4-15 P.M.**
MORNAS	1
LEJONG	2
ROMNEY'S GIRL	F
6TH RACE:	**4-45 P.M.**
LION TAMER	1
MISS O.K.	2
TYRANNY	F
7TH RACE:	**5-15 P.M.**
APSAPI	1
RATIFIER	2
ROYAL OPERA	F
8TH RACE:	**5-45 P.M.**
PRINCESS BEST	1
SWEETNESS	2
SCOTCHMIST	F
9TH RACE:	**6-15 P.M.**
HOLLY GARTH	1
LADY IN RED	2
ABSTRACT	F

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Breathed New Spirit In National Life

Mrs. Naidu And Jawahar Pay Homage To Tagore

Presiding over the inaugural meeting of the Tagore Society at C. J. Hall on Friday morning Mrs. Sarojini Naidu emphasised the human touch which permeated the poetic works and the philosophy of life of Rabindranath Tagore.

She said that throughout her life she had lived in the legend of Tagore. Tagore's songs, stories and pictures had influenced her to a remarkable extent. The late poet, said the speaker loved his country, and expressed that lord through a creative heart. His patriotic songs were like trumpets of freedom and appealed to all alike. Like Leonardo de Vinci he worked for the Indian Renaissance and breathed a new spirit in the national life of the country. He was uninfluenced by European civilization and always smote at it whenever he got an opportunity to do so. His genius was purely Indian, and wherever he went there was something peculiarly Indian to be seen about him.

Mrs. Naidu then compared Tagore with Gandhiji, and said that though they worked differently they in common represented to the world the mind of India, and had the same message for humanity—the message of love.

Concluding Mrs. Naidu hoped that the Society might work with devotion and understanding and become the missionary of the great ideals for which Tagore stood.

Pandit Jawaharlal who was to attend the meeting could not do so as his presence was required in the meeting of the Working Committee.

Punditji stated in his message that Tagore was a great poet, a great patriot, and above all a man of giant stature in a world of pigmies. That India should have produced him (Tagore) and another mighty personality, Gandhiji, in the course of one generation filled him with wonder and pride.

Messages from Maulana Abul Kalam Azad stated that it was India's pride and privilege that a great soul of the world like Tagore was born in it.

The Archbishop of Bombay referred to pessimism and morbidity in Tagore's songs, particularly those which were written during the closing days of his life.

Mr. M. R. A. Baig, the Sheriff of Bombay stressed the necessity of reading Tagorian literature.

The meeting dispersed after the singing of a prayer-song.

HARWOOD LEAGUE

The final match in the Second Division of the Harwood League was played off at the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana Ground, Parel, on Sunday evening before a large crowd. The B. B. and C. I. Railway claimed an unexpectedly easy victory over the Tata Sports Club. The latter were floored to the tune of six goals to one. Tata's goalie was mainly responsible for their downfall. The first three goals were almost gifts to the Railway. The third one was scored when Tatas were struggling hard to level up matters at two all. And this broke the back of their defence and the Railway did what they liked thereafter.

At the conclusion of the match, Mr. J. C. Maitra, Vice-President of the W. I. F. A., Ltd., welcoming Mr. Yusuf Meherally, Mayor of Bombay, thanked all those who had helped to make the tournament a success.

He offered his hearty congratulations to the Railway team on their splendid victory and expressed the hope that Tatas would do better in the Indian League final on Sunday next.

Mr. Meherally, in a next little speech, commended the game of football in preference to cricket, as it is most suitable for the masses. It gives more exercise and thrills in an hour's contest than a cricket match can give in a day. As a politician, Mr. Meherally felt keen interest in sport as it is the only sphere in life where there is no distinction of caste or creed, race or colour. If we take this lesson from Europe, we shall have no communalism in our midst.

Mr. Meherally them distributed the trophies and certificates to the winners and runners-up.

The Band of the Don Bosco High School was in attendance.

"FASCISTS PLANNED CAPTURE OF GOVT."

JOHANNESBURG, August 7.

A plot to seize power in South Africa if Britain had been invaded after the fall of France was described by Mr. T. H. Devilliers, Manager of the Co-operative Trading Firm at Lydenburg in Transvaal, giving evidence at the Storm Jaer examination in Johannesburg on Thursday.

He is himself a member of the Storm Jaer organisation.

"I received the command that Storm Jaers would go into action to take over the Government but the word 'coup detat' was not used", he said.—Reuter.

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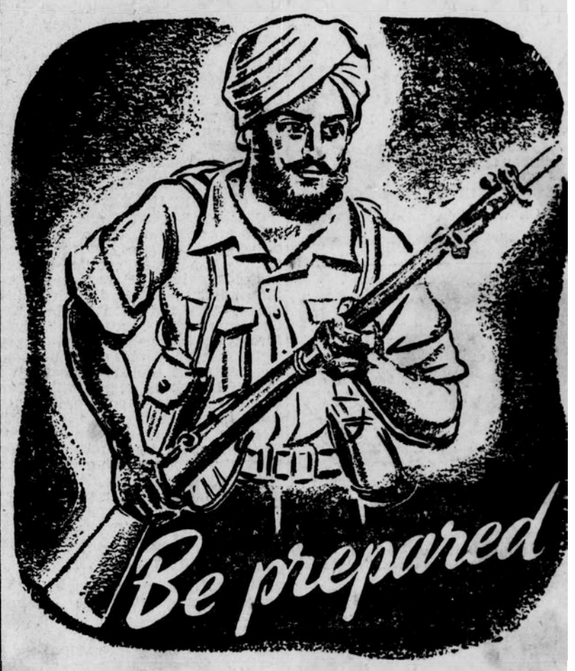

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Russians Withdraw On Byelaya Glina Front

Nazis Claim To Be Within 30 Miles Of Caucasus Oil Centre

LONDON, August 7.

The Russians have withdrawn to new positions in several sectors of the front south of Byelaya Glina says the "Izvestia" correspondent quoted by Moscow radio. "Tense defensive engagements" are now going on.

Soviet troops threw back German tanks which attempted to an unnamed river.

ON BRIANSK FRONT

Russian tanks and infantry have captured two localities on the Briansk front, says "The Pravda's" front line correspondent, quoted by the Moscow radio.

German Tank Attack Repelled

MOSCOW: The attack by German tank column which tried to break through the Soviet defences in the area of Kletskaya was repulsed, says the supplement to the Soviet Midday 'communique' today.

It adds: "The Russians destroyed 22 tanks. South of Kletskaya, Soviet troops launched counter-attacks and pressed the Germans back. Nine tanks were destroyed and 800 Germans killed.

In the sector south of Byelaya Glina the Germans succeeded in gaining some ground. Bitter defensive fighting is going on.

South of Kushchevskaya repeated German attacks were repulsed. In one engagement 700 Germans were killed and nine tanks destroyed. Several German attacks were repelled in the area of Kotelnikovo. A group of enemy automatic riflemen supported by ten tanks succeeded in driving a wedge into the Soviet defences. They were repelled losing 200 men.

From Reuter's special correspondent:—

The Germans have broken through towards Kotelnikovo and straddled the railroad. They are pursuing the attack with more tanks, motorised troops and planes. Soviet counter-attacks are delaying the German advance. South of Kushchevskaya the Russians yesterday had to face an almost uninterrupted series of attacks by large German tank, plane and motorised infantry forces.

ORDERLY RETREAT

South of Byelaya Glina the Russians are carrying out a slow and orderly retreat says the "Red Star." In three counter-attacks yesterday they delayed the German advance and inflicted big losses. In the Don Elbow the Germans are regrouping their forces in the near rear. Heavy fighting meanwhile continues in the centre of the Don Bend and in the Kletskaya region with frequent Russian counter-attacks. According to prisoners the 305th German infantry division had lost 40 per cent of its numbers. The Germans are searching for weak spots in the Russian defence by making numerous night attacks with small forces.

Germans Capture Railway Junction

LONDON: The tempo of the great German offensive against the Volga and the Caucasus shows no sign of slackening today with Moscow announcing a further German gain at Byelaya Glina and the German 'communique' stating that the Germans have captured the important railway junction of Timoshevskaya.

IN CAUCASUS

Axis troops are advancing in torrid heat and claim to be within thirty miles of the important Caucasus oil centre of Maikop.

South of Glina the Germans have reached the Caucasian foothills on the Rostov-Baku Railway. The Russian forces in the Kuban area are in danger of being cut off by the German thrust on their right flank. Another critical point is Demtrikovo, 100 miles from Stalingrad, where the Moscow 'communique' says the Germans are attempting to break through the Soviet defences and are throwing many tanks into action.

Russian Offensive At Rzhev

It seems evident that the Russians have started an offensive at Rzhev and have advanced, learns Reuter's military correspondent. Although there is no information in London to indicate the scale of the operations, judging from German reports the offensive must be at least worrying the enemy. The Russians as is often the case, are keeping completely silent on the matter.

It would also seem that the Germans are on the defensive at Voronezh but further south the German advance towards the Kuban river does not appear to have been checked. It looks as though the spearpoint of the advance may be going to swing west, possibly with a view to cutting off the Taman peninsula. In fierce fighting in the Don Bend, the Russians appear to be holding the enemy.—Reuter.

DR. AMBEDKAR OPENS FOURTH LABOUR CONFERENCE

Recommends Establishment Of Permanent Machinery For Industrial Peace

NEW DELHI, August 7.

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, in his first speech as Labour Member opening the two-day session of the 4th Labour Conference, this morning defined the main objects of the Conference as: "The promotion of uniformity in Labour Legislation; the laying down of a procedure for the settlement of industrial disputes; and the discussion of all matters of all India importance as between employer and employees.

As to the task before this Conference, you will perhaps find our agenda to be a very meagre fare. There is not much meat in it. But that is unavoidable.

We cannot place before you any agenda other than the one we have placed until we have reached a decision on the preliminary question as to whether we agree upon the plan of having such a Conference, and what its constitution should be.

That being the position, all I can do to-day is to call upon you to decide upon the following matters:

PERMANENT LABOUR CONFERENCE

The desirability of establishing a Labour Conference as permanent organisation to meet at least once a year; the desirability of instituting a Standing Advisory Committee of this Conference which would meet whenever Government thought it necessary to invite them to meet and to advise Government on matters placed before it, and defining in general terms the procedure for the constitution of these bodies.

As regards the constitution of these bodies, it may be dsirable for me to place before you the plan which we think is best suited for the purpose of a Tripartite Conference like this.

We propose to constitute two bodies—a Plenary Conference, and the Standing Advisory Committee.

PLENARY CONFERENCE

The Plenary Conference will be composed of representatives of the Central Government, of Provinces, of States, of employeers and of employees.

In general, each province or large State will be entitled to be represented, and those States not individually represented by a nominee of the Chamber of Princes.

Representation would also be given to the main Associations of employers or employees, who in their opinion were not otherwise adequately represented.

It would not in the case of the Plenary Conference be possible to ensure that the representation of employers and employees is equal to that of Government representatives.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The constitution of the Standing Advisory Committee would be more rigid, and as you will see from the text of the resolution that will be placed before you, we propose to distribute the representation as follows:—

One representative of the Government of India; six representatives of Provinces, three representatives of States; five representatives of Employers and five representatives of Employees, with the Labour member of the Central Government as Chairman.

In suggesting this constitution for the Standing Advisory Committee we have followed as closely as we can the principles underlying the Constitution of the Governing Body of the International Labour Office under the auspices of the League of Nations.

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar in conclusion, referred to the fact that Labour came much more under provincial rather than under the Central Government and said that if Provincial Governments desired to set up bodies similar to the Plenary Conference, and the Standing Committee, the Central Government would encourage them in setting these up.—A. P.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

You must have seen from the papers that Ali Mahomed Mecklai was reported to have been seen at Birla House. This looked strange to me. So I went to see Mr. Mecklai and asked him whether there was any particular reason for his visit to Birla House. Mr. Mecklai told me that he was fond of Shakespeare and so was Mahadev Desai and so that was the reason. I asked him whether he had got anything in writing from Gandhiji and Mecklai said: "Just an autograph." Now that's Mr. Mecklai's story and I suppose he knows best why he went to Birla House. But my Gestapo Agent PQ 13 begs to differ. He tells me that there has been a growing feeling among the younger Muslims that Hindu-Muslim unity would greatly strengthen India's case and consequently a move is afoot to try and get the Congress and Jinnah to effect such a unity. Mecklai (though he may not know it) went to Birla House in this connection, so suggests one of my most reliable Gestapo Agents. He spoke to Mahadev. He then went to see Jinnah and I know Jinnah is not interested in Shakespeare even if Mahadev might be. Then he went back to Birla House. However, later reports say that the move has fizzled out. I emphasize that the above is only a theory put forward by my Gestapo Agent and that Mr. Mecklai says he only went to Mahadev to discuss Shakespeare!

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I think the publishing and circulating by Mahatma Gandhi of Sir Frederick Puckle's letter to the Chief Secretaries to Government is one up for Sevagram. Can't Government even ensure that its confidential letters to Chief Secretaries don't get into the Mahatma's hands? It speaks very little of the administration.

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"Have you read 'Culture and Anarchy'?"

"No, but I am going to the A. I. C. C."

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Can't the Congress see its way to substitute Tagore's song for the 'Bande Mataram'? It is so much more moving.

NAZI REPRISAL FOR MURDER OF GESTAPO CHIEF

MOSCOW, Aug. 7.

Over 700 inhabitants of Zagreb (Croatia) have now been massacred as a reprisal for the assassination of the local Gestapo Chief, Gustav Helm, the Soviet News Agency reported to-day.

Yugoslav patriots replied by hurling bombs and grenades at the Germans.

Many German officers and men were killed.—Reuter.

Exchange Of Diplomats

TOKYO, August 7.

The 1311-ton Siamese steamer 'Valaya', which left Bangkok last Wednesday afternoon for Saigon with 101 Allied diplomats, including Sir Josiah Crossby, the British Minister to Siam on board, has been held up for the arrival of a formal safe conduct from the United States, a Bangkok message reported today.

At Saigon, the diplomats will join the "Asama Maru," which is taking British and Allied nationals from Japan to Lourenco Marques for exchange.—Reuter.

MELBOURNE:—The new budget which the Commonwealth Government will submit shortly to Parliament will total 600 million Australian pounds, six times the peace-time figure.—Reuter.

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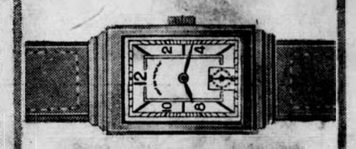

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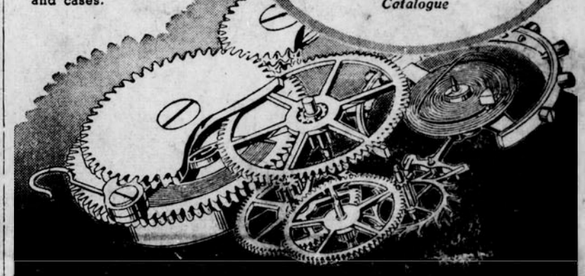

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